

STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS # 32101-17108 AMENDMENT # 1 FOR A PROJECT MANAGEMENT OPERATING SYSTEM

DATE: 7/13/2017

RFP # 32101-17108 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This RFP Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFP dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

	EVENT	TIME (central time zone)	DATE
1.	RFP Issued		6/22/2017
2.	Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	6/27/2017
3.	Pre-response Conference	1:00 p.m.	6/28/2017
4.	Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	6/29/2017
5.	Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	7/6/2017
6.	State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		7/13/2017
7.	Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	7/20/2017
8.	State Completion of Technical Response Evaluations		7/25/2017
9.	State Schedules Respondent Oral Presentations		7/27/2017
10	Respondent Oral Presentations		8/8/2017
11.	State Opening & Scoring of Cost Proposals	2:00 p.m.	8/9/2017
12	State Notice of Intent to Award Released <u>and</u> RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection	2:00 p.m.	8/14/2017
13	End of Open File Period		8/21/2017
14	State sends contract to Contractor for signature		8/22/2017
15.	Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	8/29/2017

2. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFP.

Any restatement of RFP text in the Question/Comment column shall $\underline{\mathsf{NOT}}$ be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFP document.

	QUESTION / COMMENT	STATE RESPONSE
1	Are sub consultants allowed as part of the respondent's team?	No. The only subcontracting that can be used is for training.
2	On RFP Attachment 6.2-Section B, Page 23, Item B.15: Must the Respondent provide documentation for all items (a) through (d) or only one of them?	Please respond to all items in this section.
3	Is there a minimum or goal set for participation of M/W/TSDV and small business enterprises that must be met by the selected Respondent?	There is no minimum requirement for an RFP response, but the Central Procurement Office/General Services has a goal of 17.5% diversity participation in all procurements. The State will take the level participation into consideration during the evaluation process.
4	If Respondent does not include any participation of M/W/TSDV and small business enterprises would that decrease or negatively impact their evaluation score in any way?	The State's evaluation team will review responses to Attachment 6.2 Section B as a whole and give that section an overall score out of 10 points. As such, it is possible that the Respondents response to Section B.15 can influence the overall score. It is up to each individual evaluator as to how much value Section B.15 holds.
5	A.14 – is a browser based responsive interface for iOS and Android devices that provides full application functionality sufficient or is a downloadable App required. – is this a cause for disqualification?	The State is requiring a downloadable App that takes into consideration the limited technical specifications of smart phones and/or tablets. Full application functionality using a browser based application is not sufficient and does not meet the mandatory requirement.
6	A.14- Can the Mobile App have browser on- line capability or it must be a Disconnected APP?	Please see the response to Question 5
7	A.20 – since you are separately scoring the Mandatory vs non-mandatory features in the Section D spreadsheet, is having ANY misses in the Mandatory feature list (140 items) a cause for disqualification?	Correct. Green labeled Mandatory Items in the functionality matrix must be met as "supported out of the box" or "supported via non-source code configuration."
8	A.18- Clarification about what is meant by a 3rd party reporting tool- if it is an industry standard tool that is integrated into the application, does that work for the State?	Yes, provided it is not a software or tool that has to be independently installed and/or supported by the State for future use.
9	Can the State provide access to the previous RFP documents? Were the submissions made public or did the process not precede that far? If they were made public, how would I get access to them?	No, the submissions were not made public record and will not be shared. The State will provide the previous solicitation and the response to the Questions and Comments period. (see figure B and C at the end of Amendment 1).
10	Are sub consultants are allowed on this project?	Please see response to question 1.
11	A.6 is written as follows: A.6. The proposed solution must be developed, implemented, hosted, and	No, a modification will not be made. The State requires a single go to company that provides all services to the State. The State requires all

Ql	JESTION / COMMENT	STATE RESPONSE
contributors awarded Co consultants of the work.	by the same single vendor. All is must be employees of the contractor. No 1099 employees, or subconsultants for any portion. Provide a statement confirming posed solution meets this t.	participants in the design, implementation, and training of our solution to be dedicated to the Company the State has entered into an agreement with.
partner for t with the orig being the th the market hosting, and of the vende	andatory be modified to include a the implementation in conjunction ginal software vendor? The reason here is a minimum of vendors on that would do the software sale, do the implementation. In fact some ors out there use a hosting service in and others to get their system to	
Question A. must includ Android dev with access commercial submission customers f submission that the pro requiremen 1. Does the App if it is a	solution need to have a Mobile web application that provides full	Please see the response to question 5.
2. If the ans	y in the field? swer to question one is "yes," will ify a potential solution that does a App?	
RFP includi	te provide access to the previous ing the RFP, Q&A and Addendum evious PMOS RFP?	Please see the response to question 9.
State is lool the solution a) Why curre crea b) Top Wha curre agre c) Top leade d) Top	cribe the business benefits the king to achieve by implementing outlined in this RFP. I change? What challenges are the ent toolset used by the State ting a need to change? three goals for Governor level? It do they want from you that they ently are not getting? Why do they be with this expense? three goals for The PM senior ership? three goals for PM level users?	The State has conducted a thorough evaluation of its current toolset and determined that it does not provide all of the business benefits currently offered by other toolsets in the industry. As such, the State has prepared a descriptive RFP to outline the requirements of a toolset that will contain the business benefits being sought. The State looks forward to working and sharing their goals for all anticipated users with the selected Respondent.
15 Annual Con	nstruction Volume: Per the RFP the	The State predicts the volume to remain fairly

	QUESTION / COI	MMENT	STA	ATE RESPONSE
	based on cur	ted to grow or the next 3 to 5 years rent projects?	consistent with potential growth around 10% over the next three years.	
16	b) By what percent per year? PMOS implementation schedule? The RFP Attachment 6.2. Section C, paragraph C.2. requires the respondent to "meet the State's project schedule." Please provide guidance.		The State's project schedule will be the project schedule as agreed upon by the State and selected Respondent. Section C.2 seeks the Respondent's approach to project schedule management.	
17			The State anticipates the current internal staff of 30 members to remain the same for the foreseeable future.	
18			The State anticipates the following: Role Number in Role	
	,		Project Managers	20
	Role	# In Role @	Administrative	5
	T. I. D. f.	Current Time		
	Example: PM PM	Example: 25	Management	5
	Admin		Designers	> 30 Firms
	Management		Contractors	> 50 Companies
	Exec Management		Exec. Managemen	t 15
	Program Managers (external)			
19	To level set current State Capabilities please provide the current typical standard for each discipline in today's "As Is" environment. This will better help us plan for the implementation and change management process required to help your team succeed		Please see Figure A 1	at the end of this Amendment
20	20 We have reviewed the State's Project Management standards and forms library. From this review please respond to the following questions a. Are the processes, forms outlined similar to what the future PMOS solution should support for project execution? b. The STREAM online library excludes State of Tennessee internal management document samples. However, it appears the RFP would envision the system managing these		modifying as necess and documents asso anticipated business intent of this RFP the work with the State telements to meet the Respondent's PMOS practices of the Statindustry standard, si	S solution and the business e. The State is seeking an ingle solution for project ing, but not limited to, reports,

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	forms, processes and approvals? Current examples may be: i. Program level reports, spreadsheets or forms (Pipelines, Monthly Status, etc.) ii. Project approval or charter forms iii. Budget approval or charter forms iv. Pro forma v. Etc. 1. Would it be possible to get representative samples of program level and project level internal processes and approvals?	
re ap D m	ection A.14 of the Technical Response equests mobile apps. According to The State ppears to be leveraging Windows Tablets. Hoes the State envision a requirement for a mobile Windows App? a. What functionality shall be enabled within the mobile apps? b. Item 2.04.32 of the Functionality Matrix requires the ability to create custom forms. Shall these custom forms be instantly available within the mobile app?	The State is requiring an app for Apple and Android devices with industry standard functionality at this time. The State will review and evaluate any information provided by the Respondents regarding specific app functionality.
m da sa ke	ooes the State have specific document nanagement requirements for capital project ata? For example, documents required to be aved into IBM Filenet for long term record eeping? a. If so, what format? Pdf? b. If so, is there a need to integrate with Filenet's Business Process Engine or Document Storage solution to automate this process?	The State has not specified document management requirements but instead has requested information regarding Business Process Automation, supported file formats, and software integration in order to evaluate the Respondent's approach and capabilities in these areas. The requirement is for respondents to store the data on their Cloud environment and not on the State's servers. There is no current intention to migrate that data but the vendors approach to managing this data will be evaluated as part of this RFP to allow the most flexibility for the State now and in the future.
of th sy or w	here is no RFP requirement provided outside f Attachment 6.6 regarding the need to have ne Contractor migrate data from the existing system. Is this still a requirement? If so, in order for us to properly estimate this need we would need to understand what type of data eeds to be migrated and what the size of the ata is.	For purposes of developing a response to this RFP, project data will not be migrated from the existing system to the new PMOS. However, the general data migration capabilities of the Respondent's PMOS solution will be evaluated under this RFP for the purpose of future considerations.
CC	.3.1. A response must not include alternate ontract terms and conditions. If a response ontains such terms and conditions, the State, t its sole discretion, may determine the	"Alternate contract terms and conditions" refers to any terms or restrictions put on the State as part of a RFP response. The State may reject a RFP response if these terms are included in a

QUESTION / COMMENT STATE RESPONSE response to be a non-responsive counteroffer submission. and reject it. This can include alterations to the terms and conditions of RFP attachment 6.6 - Pro Forma Please clarify - "alternate contract terms and Contract. The State will not accept exceptions to conditions"? the pro forma contract terms and conditions as part Does the state of Tennessee Dept. of General of a RFP response. Services have standard terms and conditions for the purchase and service of Project With that information being said, please note RFP section 5.3.5 which discusses limited contract Management Operating Systems? negotiations All companies have terms and conditions for Notwithstanding the foregoing, the 5.3.5. sale and services of proprietary products. State may, at its sole discretion, Please clarify; are you saying our standard entertain limited negotiation prior to terms and conditions language cannot be contract signing and, as a result, used in relation to this RFP? revise the *pro forma* contract terms and conditions or performance requirements in the State's best interests, PROVIDED THAT such revision of terms and conditions or performance requirements shall NOT materially affect the basis of response evaluations or negatively impact the competitive nature of the RFP and contractor selection process.

3. Delete RFP Attachment 6.3 in its entirety and insert the following in its place (any sentence or paragraph containing revised or new text is highlighted):

RFP ATTACHMENT 6.3.

COST PROPOSAL & SCORING GUIDE

NOTICE: THIS COST PROPOSAL MUST BE COMPLETED EXACTLY AS REQUIRED

COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE— The Cost Proposal, detailed below, shall indicate the proposed price for goods or services defined in the Scope of Services of the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract and for the entire contract period. The Cost Proposal shall remain valid for at least one hundred twenty (120) days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract resulting from this RFP. All monetary amounts shall be in U.S. currency and limited to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point.

NOTICE:

The Evaluation Factor associated with each cost item is for evaluation purposes <u>only</u>. The evaluation factors do NOT and should NOT be construed as any type of volume guarantee or minimum purchase quantity. The evaluation factors shall NOT create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in the Respondent.

Notwithstanding the cost items herein, pursuant to the second paragraph of the *Pro Forma* Contract section C.1. (refer to RFP Attachment 6.6.), "The State is under no obligation to request work from the Contractor in any specific dollar amounts or to request any work at all from the Contractor during any period of this Contract."

This Cost Proposal must be signed, in the space below, by an individual empowered to bind the Respondent to the provisions of this RFP and any contract awarded pursuant to it. If said individual is not the *President* or *Chief Executive Officer*, this document <u>must</u> attach evidence showing the individual's authority to legally bind the Respondent.

RESPONDENT SIGNATURE:			
PRINTED NAME & TITLE:			
DATE:			
RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:			
		State	e Use Only
Cost Item Description	Proposed Cost	State Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)
Cost Item Description ONE TIME DESIGN, CONFIGURATION, & TRAINING SERVICES ("IMPLEMENTATION")	Proposed Cost	Evaluation	Evaluation Cost
ONE TIME DESIGN, CONFIGURATION, & TRAINING SERVICES	Proposed Cost	Evaluation	Evaluation Cost

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:				
		State Use Only		
Cost Item Description	Proposed Cost	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)	
Phase 1.B. – Enterprise Configuration				
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope in RFP Attachment 6.6 section A.10	\$ /TOTAL	25		
Phase 2 – Enterprise Training				
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope in RFP Attachment 6.6 section A.9	\$ /TOTAL	25		
ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION				
Annual Items:				
 Unlimited Licenses Unlimited Projects Unlimited Document Storage 24 x 7 Technical Support File Transfer Tool Custom Development Maintenance Quarterly Enhancement/Upgrades with Release Training Maintenance Releases 	\$ /YEAR	18		
CUSTOM REPORT DEVELOPMENT				
(Requiring change order language in pro forma contract section c.3.d)				
Project Manager Rate	\$ /HOUR	4		
Technician Rate	\$ /HOUR	3		
The Solicitation Coordinator will use th	is sum and the formula below to calcula places to the right of the decimal poir	te the Cost Proposal		
lowest evaluation cost amou proposals	nt from <u>all</u> x 10 (maximum sect	score:		

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:			
		State	e Use Only
Cost Item Description	Proposed Cost	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)
evaluation cost amount being evaluated score)			
State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:			

4. RFP Amendment Effective Date. The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFP not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

AMENDMENT 1 FIGURE A:

Discipline	Software or Method
3 to 5 year planning	Excel
Cash-flow	Excel
Scheduling (Internal Milestones)	MS Projector Excel
Scheduling (Contractor required)	MS Project, P6, or Excel (No requirement)
Design review and mark-up 2D sheets (pdf)	Adobe or Architect systems
File Share & Collaboration	Email, FTP, or Contractor or Architect systems



STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES CAPITAL PROJECTS GROUP

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT OPERATING SYSTEM (PMOS)

RFP # 32101-16107

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- 6.6. Pro Forma Contract

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Pro Forma Attachment 2 - Functionality Matrix

Pro Forma Attachment 3 - Tennessee Enterprise Architecture

6.7 Request for Confidential Documents

1. INTRODUCTION

The State of Tennessee, Department of General Services, hereinafter referred to as "the State," has issued this Request for Proposals (RFP) to define minimum contract requirements; solicit responses; detail response requirements; and, outline the State's process for evaluating responses and selecting a contractor to provide the needed goods or services.

Through this RFP, the State seeks to procure necessary goods or services at the most favorable, competitive prices and to give ALL qualified businesses, including those that are owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business enterprises, an opportunity to do business with the state as contractors, subcontractors or suppliers.

Confidential State information is contained in this RFP in the form of Tennessee's Enterprise Technology Architecture document and in order to obtain this information a Request for Confidential Information form, (refer to RFP attachment 6.7), must be completed and returned to the solicitation coordinator (refer to RFP section 1.5.2.1.).

1.1. Definitions and Abbreviations

DEFINED ABBREVIATIONS OR TERMS USED THROUGHOUT THE RFP.

TERM	DEFINITION
ACH	Automated Clearing House
ACPs	Application Connection Points
Additional Service Proposal Request	Document in which the Contractor and the State may agree to additional services beyond those identified in the Contract.
Application Programming Interface (API)	A system of tools and resources in an operating system, enabling developers to create software applications.
Business Process Automation (BPA)	Technology enabled automation of activities or services that accomplish a specific function or workflow.
Design Criteria Development Document	Document that outlines and provides specifics relative to the elements to be contained in the PMOS as agreed upon between the Contractor and the State.
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
PMOS	Project Management Operating System
RTO	Recovery Time Objective

1.1.2. The proposed annual subscription fees should be based on an estimated average annual capital construction spend of \$750,000,000 as throughput of project work.

1.2. Statement of Procurement Purpose

The State's Capital Projects Group (CPG) is seeking to procure a Project Management Operating System (PMOS) to address needed improvements for contract administration, project and capital accounting, planning, tenant modifications, and contract and document management with the overall goal of reducing the time and cost to deliver capital projects for the State. The State needs an effective, web-based management tool to allow their mangers to control their projects, provide required reporting, and to meet industry standards for capital expenditures. The solution must:

- i. Be developed, implemented, hosted and supported by the same single vendor
- ii. Be designed for the sole purpose of supporting the design & construction program
- iii. Encompass the project management lifecycle Planning through Closeout
- iv. Be delivered as a Software as a Service (SaaS) and built on a multi-tenant platform with an open web service architecture
- v. Be out-of-the-box, configurable, and contain native modules specific to the construction project lifecycle

- vi. Vendor to have a 10 year history of providing a similar solution that has successfully supported infrastructure and commercial construction.
- vii. Be capable of managing multiple capital projects over a multi-year time frame with internal and external users interfacing to an enterprise financial system

1.3. Scope of Service, Contract Period, & Required Terms and Conditions

The RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract details the State's requirements:

- Scope of Services and Deliverables (Section A);
- Contract Period (Section B);
- Payment Terms (Section C);
- Standard Terms and Conditions (Section D); and,
- Special Terms and Conditions (Section E).

The *pro forma* contract substantially represents the contract document that the successful Respondent must sign.

1.4. Nondiscrimination

No person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the performance of a Contract pursuant to this RFP or in the employment practices of the Contractor on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by federal, Tennessee state constitutional, or statutory law. The Contractor pursuant to this RFP shall, upon request, show proof of such nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.

1.5. RFP Communications

1.5.1. The State has assigned the following RFP identification number that must be referenced in all communications regarding this RFP:

RFP # 32101-16107

- 1.5.2. Unauthorized contact about this RFP with employees or officials of the State of Tennessee except as detailed below may result in disqualification from consideration under this procurement process.
 - 1.5.2.1. Prospective Respondents <u>must</u> direct communications concerning this RFP to the following person designated as the Solicitation Coordinator:

Chris Romaine | Sourcing Analyst Tennessee Tower, 3rd Floor 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., Nashville, TN 37243 p. 615-253-5613 christopher.romaine@tn.gov

- 1.5.2.2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Prospective Respondents may alternatively contact:
 - a. staff of the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise for assistance available to minority-owned, woman-owned, Tennessee service-disabled veteran owned, and small businesses as well as general, public information relating to this RFP (visit http://www.tn.gov/generalservices/article/godbe-general-contacts for contact information); and

b. the following individual designated by the State to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of the State of Tennessee, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and associated federal regulations:

Helen Crowley
Central Procurement Office
William R. Snodgrass TN Tower, 3rd Floor
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., Nashville, TN 37243
O: 615-741-3836 F: 615-741-0684
helen.crowley@tn.gov

- 1.5.3. Only the State's official, written responses and communications with Respondents are binding with regard to this RFP. Oral communications between a State official and one or more Respondents are unofficial and non-binding.
- 1.5.4. Potential Respondents must ensure that the State receives all written questions and comments, including questions and requests for clarification, no later than the Written Questions & Comments Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
- 1.5.5. Respondents must assume the risk of the method of dispatching any communication or response to the State. The State assumes no responsibility for delays or delivery failures resulting from the Respondent's method of dispatch. Actual or digital "postmarking" of a communication or response to the State by a specified deadline is not a substitute for the State's actual receipt of a communication or response.
- 1.5.6. The State will convey all official responses and communications related to this RFP to the prospective Respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to RFP Section 1.9).
- 1.5.7. The State reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, the method of conveying official, written responses and communications related to this RFP. Such written communications may be transmitted by mail, hand-delivery, facsimile, electronic mail, Internet posting, or any other means deemed reasonable by the State. For internet posting, please refer to the following website: http://tn.gov/generalservices/article/request-for-proposals-rfp-opportunities.
- 1.5.8. The State reserves the right to determine, at its sole discretion, the appropriateness and adequacy of responses to written comments, questions, and requests related to this RFP. The State's official, written responses will constitute an amendment of this RFP.
- 1.5.9. Any data or factual information provided by the State (in this RFP, an RFP amendment or any other communication relating to this RFP) is for informational purposes only. The State will make reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy of such data or information, however it is the Respondent's obligation to independently verify any data or information provided by the State. The State expressly disclaims the accuracy or adequacy of any information or data that it provides to prospective Respondents.

1.6. Assistance to Respondents With a Handicap or Disability

Prospective Respondents with a handicap or disability may receive accommodation relating to the communication of this RFP and participating in the RFP process. Prospective Respondents may contact the Solicitation Coordinator to request such reasonable accommodation no later than the Disability Accommodation Request Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.

1.7. Respondent Required Review & Waiver of Objections

- 1.7.1. Each prospective Respondent must carefully review this RFP, including but not limited to, attachments, the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract, and any amendments, for questions, comments, defects, objections, or any other matter requiring clarification or correction (collectively called "questions and comments").
- 1.7.2. Any prospective Respondent having questions and comments concerning this RFP must provide them in writing to the State no later than the Written Questions & Comments Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
- 1.7.3. Protests based on any objection to the RFP shall be considered waived and invalid if the objection has not been brought to the attention of the State, in writing, by the Written Questions & Comments Deadline.

1.8. **Pre-Response Conference**

A Pre-response Conference will be held at the time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. Pre-response Conference attendance is not mandatory, and prospective Respondents may be limited to a maximum number of attendees depending upon overall attendance and space limitations.

The conference will be held at:

State of Tennessee Conference Line Local Callers dial: (615) 253-8313 Long Distance Callers dial: (855) 543-5040

The purpose of the conference is to discuss the RFP scope of goods or services. The State will entertain questions, however prospective Respondents must understand that the State's oral response to any question at the Pre-response Conference shall be unofficial and non-binding. Prospective Respondents must submit all questions, comments, or other concerns regarding the RFP in writing prior to the Written Questions & Comments Deadline date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. The State will send the official response to these questions and comments to prospective Respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to respond as indicated in RFP Section 1.9 and on the date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.

1.9. Notice of Intent to Respond

Before the Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events, prospective Respondents should submit to the Solicitation Coordinator a Notice of Intent to Respond (in the form of a simple e-mail or other written communication). Such notice should include the following information:

- the business or individual's name (as appropriate)
- a contact person's name and title
- the contact person's mailing address, telephone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address

A Notice of Intent to Respond creates no obligation and is not a prerequisite for submitting a response, however, it is necessary to ensure receipt of any RFP amendments or other notices and communications relating to this RFP.

1.10. Response Deadline

A Respondent must ensure that the State receives a response no later than the response deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. A response must respond, as required, to this RFP (including its attachments) as may be amended. The State will not accept late responses, and a Respondent's failure to submit a response before the deadline will result in disqualification of the

response. It is the responsibility of the Respondent to ascertain any additional security requirements with respect to packaging and delivery to the State of Tennessee. Respondents should be mindful of any potential delays due to security screening procedures, weather, or other filing delays whether foreseeable or unforeseeable.

2. RFP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2.1. The following RFP Schedule of Events represents the State's best estimate for this RFP.

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2.2. The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to adjust the RFP Schedule of Events as it deems necessary. Any adjustment of the Schedule of Events shall constitute an RFP amendment, and the State will communicate such to prospective Respondents from whom the State has received a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to section 1.9).

3. **RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS**

3.1. Response Form

A response to this RFP must consist of two parts, a Technical Response and a Cost Proposal.

3.1.1. <u>Technical Response</u>. RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide provides the specific requirements for submitting a response. This guide includes mandatory requirement items, general qualifications and experience items, and technical qualifications, experience, and approach items all of which must be addressed with a written response and, in some instances, additional documentation.

NOTICE: A technical response <u>must not</u> include <u>any</u> pricing or cost information. If any pricing or cost information amounts of any type (even pricing relating to other projects) is included in any part of the technical response, the state may deem the response to be non-responsive and reject it.

- 3.1.1.1. A Respondent must use the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide to organize, reference, and draft the Technical Response by duplicating the attachment, adding appropriate page numbers as required, and using the guide as a table of contents covering the Technical Response.
- 3.1.1.2. A response should be economically prepared, with emphasis on completeness and clarity. A response, as well as any reference material presented, must be written in English and must be written on standard 8 ½" x 11" pages (although oversize exhibits are permissible) and use a 12 point font for text. All response pages must be numbered.
- 3.1.1.3. All information and documentation included in a Technical Response should respond to or address a specific requirement detailed in the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide. All information must be incorporated into a response to a specific requirement and clearly referenced. Any information not meeting these criteria will be deemed extraneous and will not contribute to evaluations.
- 3.1.1.4. The State may determine a response to be non-responsive and reject it if:
 - a. the Respondent fails to organize and properly reference the Technical Response as required by this RFP and the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide; or
 - b. the Technical Response document does not appropriately respond to, address, or meet <u>all</u> of the requirements and response items detailed in the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide.
- 3.1.2. <u>Cost Proposal</u>. A Cost Proposal <u>must</u> be recorded on an exact duplicate of the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide.

NOTICE: If a Respondent fails to submit a cost proposal <u>exactly</u> as required, the State may deem the response to be non-responsive and reject it.

3.1.2.1. A Respondent must <u>only</u> record the proposed cost exactly as required by the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide <u>and must NOT record any other rates</u>, amounts, or information.

- 3.1.2.2. The proposed cost shall incorporate <u>ALL</u> costs for services under the contract for the total contract period, including any renewals or extensions.
- 3.1.2.3. A Respondent must sign and date the Cost Proposal.
- 3.1.2.4. A Respondent must submit the Cost Proposal to the State in a <u>sealed</u> package separate from the Technical Response (as detailed in RFP Sections 3.2.3., *et seq.*).

3.2. Response Delivery

- 3.2.1. A Respondent must ensure that both the original Technical Response and Cost Proposal documents meet all form and content requirements, including all required signatures, as detailed within this RFP.
- 3.2.2. A Respondent must submit original Technical Response and Cost Proposal documents and copies as specified below.
 - 3.2.2.1. One (1) original Technical Response paper document labeled:

"RFP # 32101-16107 TECHNICAL RESPONSE ORIGINAL"

and five (5) digital copies of the Technical Response each in the form of one (1) digital document in "PDF" format properly recorded on its own otherwise blank, standard CD-R recordable disc or USB flash drive labeled:

"RFP # 32101-16107 TECHNICAL RESPONSE COPY"

The digital copies should not include copies of sealed customer references, however any other discrepancy between the paper Technical Response document and any digital copies may result in the State rejecting the proposal as non-responsive.

3.2.2.2. One (1) original Cost Proposal paper document labeled:

"RFP # 32101-16107 COST PROPOSAL ORIGINAL"

and one (1) copy in the form of a digital document in "PDF/XLS" format properly recorded on <u>separate</u>, blank, standard CD-R recordable disc or USB flash drive labeled:

"RFP # 32101-16107 COST PROPOSAL COPY"

In the event of a discrepancy between the original Cost Proposal document and the digital copy, the original, signed document will take precedence.

- 3.2.3. A Respondent must separate, seal, package, and label the documents and copies for delivery as follows:
 - 3.2.3.1. The Technical Response original document and digital copies must be placed in a sealed package that is clearly labeled:

"DO NOT OPEN... RFP # 32101-16107 TECHNICAL RESPONSE FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]"

3.2.3.2. The Cost Proposal original document and digital copy must be placed in a <u>separate</u>, sealed package that is clearly labeled:

"DO NOT OPEN... RFP # 32101-16107 COST PROPOSAL FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]"

3.2.3.3. The separately, sealed Technical Response and Cost Proposal components may be enclosed in a larger package for mailing or delivery, provided that the outermost package is clearly labeled:

"RFP # 32101-16107 SEALED TECHNICAL RESPONSE & SEALED COST PROPOSAL FROM [RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME]"

3.2.4. A Respondent must ensure that the State receives a response no later than the Response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events at the following address:

Chris Romaine | Sourcing Analyst
Tennessee Tower, Central Procurement Office - 3rd Floor
312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., Nashville, TN 37243
p. 615-253-5613
christopher.romaine@tn.gov

3.3. Response & Respondent Prohibitions

- 3.3.1. A response must <u>not</u> include alternate contract terms and conditions. If a response contains such terms and conditions, the State, at its sole discretion, may determine the response to be a non-responsive counteroffer and reject it.
- 3.3.2. A response must <u>not</u> restrict the rights of the State or otherwise qualify either the offer to deliver goods or provide services as required by this RFP or the Cost Proposal. If a response restricts the rights of the State or otherwise qualifies either the offer to deliver goods or provide services as required by this RFP or the Cost Proposal, the State, at its sole discretion, may determine the response to be a non-responsive counteroffer and reject it.
- 3.3.3. A response must <u>not</u> propose alternative goods or services (*i.e.*, offer services different from those requested and required by this RFP) unless expressly requested in this RFP. The State may consider a response of alternative goods or services to be non-responsive and reject it.
- 3.3.4. A Cost Proposal must be prepared and arrived at independently and must <u>not</u> involve any collusion between Respondents. The State will reject any Cost Proposal that involves collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement between Respondents. Regardless of the time of detection, the State will consider any such actions to be grounds for response rejection or contract termination.
- 3.3.5. A Respondent must <u>not</u> provide, for consideration in this RFP process or subsequent contract negotiations, any information that the Respondent knew or should have known was materially incorrect. If the State determines that a Respondent has provided such incorrect information, the State will deem the Response non-responsive and reject it.
- 3.3.6. A Respondent must <u>not</u> submit more than one Technical Response and one Cost Proposal in response to this RFP, except as expressly requested by the State in this RFP. If a Respondent submits more than one Technical Response or more than one Cost Proposal, the State will deem all of the responses non-responsive and reject them.
- 3.3.7. A Respondent must <u>not</u> submit a response as a prime contractor while also permitting one or more other Respondents to offer the Respondent as a subcontractor in their own responses. Such may result in the disqualification of all Respondents knowingly involved. This restriction does not, however, prohibit different Respondents from offering the same subcontractor as a part

of their responses (provided that the subcontractor does not also submit a response as a prime contractor).

- 3.3.8. The State shall not consider a response from an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, a State employee. For purposes of this RFP:
 - 3.3.8.1. An individual shall be deemed a State employee until such time as all compensation for salary, termination pay, and annual leave has been paid;
 - 3.3.8.2. A contract with or a response from a company, corporation, or any other contracting entity in which a controlling interest is held by any State employee shall be considered to be a contract with or proposal from the employee; and
 - 3.3.8.3. A contract with or a response from a company, corporation, or any other contracting entity that employs an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, a State employee shall not be considered a contract with or a proposal from the employee and shall not constitute a prohibited conflict of interest.

3.4. Response Errors & Revisions

A Respondent is responsible for any and all response errors or omissions. A Respondent will not be allowed to alter or revise response documents after the Response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events unless such is formally requested, in writing, by the State.

3.5. Response Withdrawal

A Respondent may withdraw a submitted response at any time before the Response Deadline time and date detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events by submitting a written request signed by an authorized Respondent representative. After withdrawing a response, a Respondent may submit another response at any time before the Response Deadline. After the Response Deadline, a Respondent may only withdraw all or a portion of a response where the enforcement of the response would impose an unconscionable hardship on the Respondent.

3.6. Additional Services

If a response offers goods or services in addition to those required by and described in this RFP, the State, at its sole discretion, may add such services to the contract awarded as a result of this RFP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Respondent must not propose any additional cost amounts or rates for additional goods or services. Regardless of any additional services offered in a response, the Respondent's Cost Proposal must only record the proposed cost as required in this RFP and must not record any other rates, amounts, or information.

NOTICE: If a Respondent fails to submit a Cost Proposal exactly as required, the State may deem the response non-responsive and reject it.

3.7. Response Preparation Costs

The State will <u>not</u> pay any costs associated with the preparation, submittal, or presentation of any response.

4. GENERAL CONTRACTING INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

4.1. RFP Amendment

The State at its sole discretion may amend this RFP, in writing, at any time prior to contract award. However, prior to any such amendment, the State will consider whether it would negatively impact the ability of potential Respondents to meet the response deadline and revise the RFP Schedule of Events if deemed appropriate. If an RFP amendment is issued, the State will convey it to potential Respondents who submitted a Notice of Intent to Respond (refer to RFP Section 1.9). A response must address the final RFP (including its attachments) as amended.

4.2. RFP Cancellation

The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel the RFP or to cancel and reissue this RFP in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

4.3. State Right of Rejection

- 4.3.1. Subject to applicable laws and regulations, the State reserves the right to reject, at its sole discretion, any and all responses.
- 4.3.2. The State may deem as non-responsive and reject any response that does not comply with all terms, conditions, and performance requirements of this RFP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State reserves the right to waive, at its sole discretion, minor variances from full compliance with this RFP. If the State waives variances in a response, such waiver shall not modify the RFP requirements or excuse the Respondent from full compliance, and the State may hold any resulting Contractor to strict compliance with this RFP.

4.4. Assignment & Subcontracting

- 4.4.1. The Contractor may not subcontract, transfer, or assign any portion of the Contract awarded as a result of this RFP without prior approval of the State. The State reserves the right to refuse approval, at its sole discretion, of any subcontract, transfer, or assignment.
- 4.4.2. If a Respondent intends to use subcontractors, the response to this RFP must specifically identify the scope and portions of the work each subcontractor will perform (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section B, General Qualifications & Experience Item B.14.).
- 4.4.3. Subcontractors identified within a response to this RFP will be deemed as approved by the State unless the State expressly disapproves one or more of the proposed subcontractors prior to signing the Contract.
- 4.4.4. After contract award, a Contractor may only substitute an approved subcontractor at the discretion of the State and with the State's prior, written approval.
- 4.4.5. Notwithstanding any State approval relating to subcontracts, the Respondent who is awarded a contract pursuant to this RFP will be the prime contractor and will be responsible for all work under the Contract.

4.5. Right to Refuse Personnel or Subcontractors

The State reserves the right to refuse, at its sole discretion and notwithstanding any prior approval, any personnel of the prime contractor or a subcontractor providing goods or services in the performance of a contract resulting from this RFP. The State will document in writing the reason(s) for any rejection of personnel.

4.6. **Insurance**

From time-to-time, the State may require the awarded Contractor to provide a Certificate of Insurance issued by an insurance company licensed or authorized to provide insurance in the State of Tennessee. Each Certificate of Insurance shall indicate current insurance coverages meeting minimum requirements as may be specified by this RFP. A failure to provide a current, Certificate of Insurance will be considered a material breach and grounds for contract termination.

4.7. Professional Licensure and Department of Revenue Registration

- 4.7.1. All persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal or financial opinions, which a Respondent provides for consideration and evaluation by the State as a part of a response to this RFP, shall be properly licensed to render such opinions.
- 4.7.2. Before the Contract resulting from this RFP is signed, the apparent successful Respondent (and Respondent employees and subcontractors, as applicable) must hold all necessary or appropriate business or professional licenses to provide the goods or services as required by the contract. The State may require any Respondent to submit evidence of proper licensure.
- 4.7.3. Before the Contract resulting from this RFP is signed, the apparent successful Respondent must be registered with the Tennessee Department of Revenue for the collection of Tennessee sales and use tax. The State shall not award a contract unless the Respondent provides proof of such registration or provides documentation from the Department of Revenue that the Contractor is exempt from this registration requirement. The foregoing is a mandatory requirement of an award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation. For purposes of this registration requirement, the Department of Revenue may be contacted at: TN.Revenue@tn.gov.

4.8. Disclosure of Response Contents

- 4.8.1. All materials submitted to the State in response to this RFP shall become the property of the State of Tennessee. Selection or rejection of a response does not affect this right. By submitting a response, a Respondent acknowledges and accepts that the full response contents and associated documents will become open to public inspection in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee.
- 4.8.2. The State will hold all response information, including both technical and cost information, in confidence during the evaluation process. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a list of actual Respondents submitting timely responses may be available to the public, upon request, after technical responses are opened.
- 4.8.3. Upon completion of response evaluations, indicated by public release of a Notice of Intent to Award, the responses and associated materials will be open for review by the public in accordance with *Tennessee Code Annotated*, Section 10-7-504(a)(7).

4.9. Contract Approval and Contract Payments

- 4.9.1. After contract award, the Contractor who is awarded the contract must submit appropriate documentation with the Department of Finance and Administration, Division of Accounts.
- 4.9.2. This RFP and its contractor selection processes do not obligate the State and do not create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in either the Respondent with the apparent best-evaluated response or any other Respondent. State obligations pursuant to a contract award shall commence only after the contract is signed by the State agency head and the Contractor and after the Contract is approved by all other state officials as required by applicable laws and regulations.

- 4.9.3. No payment will be obligated or made until the relevant Contract is approved as required by applicable statutes and rules of the State of Tennessee.
 - 4.9.3.1. The State shall not be liable for payment of any type associated with the Contract resulting from this RFP (or any amendment thereof) or responsible for any goods delivered or services rendered by the Contractor, even goods delivered or services rendered in good faith and even if the Contractor is orally directed to proceed with the delivery of goods or the rendering of services, if it occurs before the Contract start date or after the Contract end date.
 - 4.9.3.2. All payments relating to this procurement will be made in accordance with the Payment Terms and Conditions of the Contract resulting from this RFP (refer to RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract, Section C).
 - 4.9.3.3. If any provision of the Contract provides direct funding or reimbursement for the competitive purchase of goods or services as a component of contract performance or otherwise provides for the reimbursement of specified, actual costs, the State will employ all reasonable means and will require all such documentation that it deems necessary to ensure that such purchases were competitive and costs were reasonable, necessary, and actual. The Contractor shall provide reasonable assistance and access related to such review. Further, the State shall not remit, as funding or reimbursement pursuant to such provisions, any amounts that it determines do not represent reasonable, necessary, and actual costs.

4.10. Contractor Performance

The Contractor who is awarded a contract will be responsible for the delivery of all acceptable goods or the satisfactory completion of all services set out in this RFP (including attachments) as may be amended. All goods or services are subject to inspection and evaluation by the State. The State will employ all reasonable means to ensure that goods delivered or services rendered are in compliance with the Contract, and the Contractor must cooperate with such efforts.

4.11. Contract Amendment

After contract award, the State may request the Contractor to deliver additional goods or perform additional services within the general scope of the contract and this RFP, but beyond the specified scope of service, and for which the Contractor may be compensated. In such instances, the State will provide the Contractor a written description of the additional goods or services. The Contractor must respond to the State with a time schedule for delivering the additional goods or accomplishing the additional services based on the compensable units included in the Contractor's response to this RFP. If the State and the Contractor reach an agreement regarding the goods or services and associated compensation, such agreement must be effected by means of a contract amendment. Further, any such amendment requiring additional goods or services must be signed by both the State agency head and the Contractor and must be approved by other state officials as required by applicable statutes, rules, policies and procedures of the State of Tennessee. The Contractor must not provide additional goods or render additional services until the State has issued a written contract amendment with all required approvals.

Notwithstanding the below, *pro forma* Contract section A.13 provides for limited service "change orders" without a formal Contract Amendment upon the documented mutual agreement by the Parties.

4.12. Severability

If any provision of this RFP is declared by a court to be illegal or in conflict with any law, said decision will not affect the validity of the remaining RFP terms and provisions, and the rights and obligations of the State and Respondents will be construed and enforced as if the RFP did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.

4.13. Next Ranked Respondent

The State reserves the right to initiate negotiations with the next ranked Respondent should the State cease doing business with any Respondent selected via this RFP process.

5.1. Evaluation Categories & Maximum Points

The State will consider qualifications, experience, technical approach, and cost in the evaluation of responses and award points in each of the categories detailed below (up to the maximum evaluation points indicated) to each response deemed by the State to be responsive.

EVALUATION CATEGORY	MAXIMUM POINTS POSSIBLE
General Qualifications & Experience (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section B)	10
Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section C)	10
Functionality Matrix Completion (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section D, and Pro Forma Contract Attachment 2)	35
Oral Presentation (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Section E)	15
Cost Proposal (refer to RFP Attachment 6.3.)	30

5.2. Evaluation Process

The evaluation process is designed to award the contract resulting from this RFP not necessarily to the Respondent offering the lowest cost, but rather to the Respondent deemed by the State to be responsive and responsible who offers the best combination of attributes based upon the evaluation criteria. ("Responsive Respondent" is defined as a Respondent that has submitted a response that conforms in all material respects to the RFP. "Responsible Respondent" is defined as a Respondent that has the capacity in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance.)

- 5.2.1. <u>Technical Response Evaluation</u>. The Solicitation Coordinator and the Proposal Evaluation Team (consisting of three (3) or more State employees) will use the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide to manage the Technical Response Evaluation and maintain evaluation records.
 - 5.2.1.1. The State reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to request Respondent clarification of a Technical Response or to conduct clarification discussions with any or all Respondents. Any such clarification or discussion will be limited to specific sections of the response identified by the State. The subject Respondent must put any resulting clarification in writing as may be required and in accordance with any deadline imposed by the State.
 - 5.2.1.2. The Solicitation Coordinator will review each Technical Response to determine compliance with RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section A— Mandatory Requirements. If the Solicitation Coordinator determines that a response failed to meet one or more of the mandatory requirements, the Proposal Evaluation Team will review the response and document the team's determination of whether:
 - a. the response adequately meets RFP requirements for further evaluation;

- b. the State will request clarifications or corrections for consideration prior to further evaluation; or,
- c. the State will determine the response to be non-responsive to the RFP and reject it.
- 5.2.1.3. Proposal Evaluation Team members will independently evaluate each Technical Response (that is responsive to the RFP) against the evaluation criteria in this RFP, and will score each in accordance with the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide.
- 5.2.1.4. For each response evaluated, the Solicitation Coordinator will calculate the average of the Proposal Evaluation Team member scores for RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, and record each average as the response score for the respective Technical Response section.
- 5.2.1.5. The Solicitation Coordinator will invite the top three (3) ranked Respondents to make an oral presentation. The ranking will be determined after the Technical Response score is totaled and ranked (e.g., 1 the best evaluated ranking, etc.).
 - 5.2.1.5.1. The oral presentations are mandatory. The Solicitation Coordinator will schedule Respondent presentations during the period indicated by the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. The Solicitation Coordinator will make every effort to accommodate each Respondent's schedules. When the Respondent presentation schedule has been determined, the Solicitation Coordinator will contact Respondents with the relevant information as indicated by RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
 - 5.2.1.5.2. Respondent presentations are only open to the invited Respondent, Proposal Evaluation Team members, the Solicitation Coordinator, and any technical consultants who are selected by the State to provide assistance to the Proposal Evaluation Team.
 - 5.2.1.5.3. Oral presentations provide an opportunity for Respondents to explain and clarify their responses. Respondents must not materially alter their responses and presentations will be limited to addressing the items detailed in RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide. Respondent pricing shall not be discussed during oral presentations.
 - 5.2.1.5.4. The State will maintain an accurate record of each Respondent's oral presentation session. The record of the Respondent's oral presentation shall be available for review when the State opens the procurement files for public inspection.
 - 5.2.1.5.5. Proposal Evaluation Team members will independently evaluate each oral presentation in accordance with the RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section E.
 - 5.2.1.5.6. The Solicitation Coordinator will calculate and document the average of the Proposal Evaluation Team member scores for RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section E, and record that number as the score for Respondent's Technical Response section.
- 5.2.1.6. Before Cost Proposals are opened, the Proposal Evaluation Team will review the Technical Response Evaluation record and any other available information pertinent to whether or not each Respondent is responsive and responsible. If the Proposal Evaluation Team identifies any Respondent that does <u>not</u> to meet the responsive and

responsible thresholds such that the team would <u>not</u> recommend the Respondent for Cost Proposal Evaluation and potential contract award, the team members will fully document the determination.

- 5.2.2. Cost Proposal Evaluation. The Solicitation Coordinator will open for evaluation the Cost Proposal of each Respondent deemed by the State to be responsive and responsible and calculate and record each Cost Proposal score in accordance with the RFP Attachment 6.3., Cost Proposal & Scoring Guide.
- 5.2.3. <u>Total Response Score.</u> The Solicitation Coordinator will calculate the sum of the Technical Response section scores and the Cost Proposal score and record the resulting number as the total score for the subject Response (refer to RFP Attachment 6.5., Score Summary Matrix).

5.3. Contract Award Process

- 5.3.1 The Solicitation Coordinator will submit the Proposal Evaluation Team determinations and scores to the head of the procuring agency for consideration along with any other relevant information that might be available and pertinent to contract award.
- 5.3.2. The procuring agency head will determine the apparent best-evaluated Response. To effect a contract award to a Respondent other than the one receiving the highest evaluation process score, the head of the procuring agency must provide written justification and obtain the written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer and the Comptroller of the Treasury.
- 5.3.3. The State will issue a Notice of Intent to Award identifying the apparent best-evaluated response and make the RFP files available for public inspection at the time and date specified in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.
 - NOTICE: The Notice of Intent to Award shall not create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in either the apparent best-evaluated Respondent or any other Respondent.
- 5.3.4. The Respondent identified as offering the apparent best-evaluated response <u>must</u> sign a contract drawn by the State pursuant to this RFP. The contract shall be substantially the same as the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract. The Respondent <u>must</u> sign the contract by the Contractor Signature Deadline detailed in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events. If the Respondent fails to provide the signed contract by this deadline, the State may determine that the Respondent is non-responsive to this RFP and reject the response.
- 5.3.5. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the State may, at its sole discretion, entertain limited negotiation prior to contract signing and, as a result, revise the *pro forma* contract terms and conditions or performance requirements in the State's best interests, PROVIDED THAT such revision of terms and conditions or performance requirements shall <u>NOT</u> materially affect the basis of response evaluations or negatively impact the competitive nature of the RFP and contractor selection process.
- 5.3.6. If the State determines that a response is non-responsive and rejects it after opening Cost Proposals, the Solicitation Coordinator will re-calculate scores for each remaining responsive Cost Proposal to determine (or re-determine) the apparent best-evaluated response.

RFP # 32101-16107 STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES

The Respondent must sign and complete the Statement of Certifications and Assurances below as required, and it must be included in the Technical Response (as required by RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section A, Item A.1.).

The Respondent does, hereby, expressly affirm, declare, confirm, certify, and assure ALL of the following:

- 1. The Respondent will comply with all of the provisions and requirements of the RFP.
- 2. The Respondent will provide all services as defined in the Scope of Services of the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract for the total contract period.
- 3. The Respondent, except as otherwise provided in this RFP, accepts and agrees to all terms and conditions set out in the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract.
- 4. The Respondent acknowledges and agrees that a contract resulting from the RFP shall incorporate, by reference, all proposal responses as a part of the contract.
- 5. The Respondent will comply with:
 - (a) the laws of the State of Tennessee:
 - (b) Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964;
 - (c) Title IX of the federal Education Amendments Act of 1972;
 - (d) the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and the regulations issued there under by the federal government; and,
 - (e) the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations issued there under by the federal government.
- 6. To the knowledge of the undersigned, the information detailed within the response submitted to this RFP is accurate.
- 7. The response submitted to this RFP was independently prepared, without collusion, under penalty of perjury.
- 8. No amount shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Respondent in connection with this RFP or any resulting contract.
- 9. Both the Technical Response and the Cost Proposal submitted in response to this RFP shall remain valid for at least 120 days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract pursuant to the RFP.
- 10. The Respondent affirms the following statement, as required by the Iran Divestment Act Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-111: "By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each Respondent is not on the list created pursuant to §12-12-106." For reference purposes, the list is currently available online at: http://www.tn.gov/generalservices/article/Public-Information-library.

By signing this Statement of Certifications and Assurances, below, the signatory also certifies legal authority to bind the proposing entity to the provisions of this RFP and any contract awarded pursuant to it. If the signatory is not the Respondent (if an individual) or the Respondent's company *President* or *Chief Executive Officer*, this document <u>must</u> attach evidence showing the individual's authority to bind the Respondent.

DO NOT SIGN THIS DOCUMENT IF YOU ARE NOT LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO BIND THE RESPONDENT

SIGNATURE:	
PRINTED NAME & TITLE:	
DATE:	
RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:	

TECHNICAL RESPONSE & EVALUATION GUIDE

SECTION A: MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS. The Respondent must address all items detailed below and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below.

The Solicitation Coordinator will review the response to determine if the Mandatory Requirement Items are addressed as required and mark each with pass or fail. For each item that is not addressed as required, the Proposal Evaluation Team must review the response and attach a written determination. In addition to the Mandatory Requirement Items, the Solicitation Coordinator will review each response for compliance with all RFP requirements.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:		ENTITY		
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section A— Mandatory Requirement Items Pass/Fail		Pass/Fail
			e must be delivered to the State no later than the Response cified in the RFP Section 2, Schedule of Events.	
			al Response and the Cost Proposal documentation must be parately as required (refer to RFP Section 3.2., et. seq.).	
		The Technica type.	Il Response must NOT contain cost or pricing information of any	
			Il Response must NOT contain any restrictions of the rights of ther qualification of the response.	
		A Respondent must NOT submit alternate responses (refer to RFP Section 3.3.).		
		A Respondent must NOT submit multiple responses in different forms (as a prime and a sub-contractor) (refer to RFP Section 3.3.).		
	A.1.	Provide the Statement of Certifications and Assurances (RFP Attachment 6.1.) completed and signed by an individual empowered to bind the Respondent to the provisions of this RFP and any resulting contract. The document must be signed without exception or qualification.		
	A.2.	Respondent of services under employment by NOTE: Any of	tement, based upon reasonable inquiry, of whether the or any individual who shall cause to deliver goods or perform er the contract has a possible conflict of interest (e.g., by the State of Tennessee) and, if so, the nature of that conflict. Questions of conflict of interest shall be solely within the he State, and the State reserves the right to cancel any award.	
	A.3.	relationship w reference mu	rent bank reference indicating that the Respondent's business vith the financial institution is in positive standing. Such st be written in the form of a standard business letter, signed, hin the past three (3) months.	
	A.4.	Respondent h	current positive credit references from vendors with which the has done business written in the form of standard business d, and dated within the past three (3) months.	
	A.5.	Provide an official document or letter from an accredited credit bureau, verified and dated within the last three (3) months and indicating a satisfactory credit rating for the Respondent (NOTE: A credit bureau report		

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:		ENTITY		
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State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:				

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SECTION B: GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE. The Respondent must address all items detailed below and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below. Proposal Evaluation Team members will independently evaluate and assign one score for all responses to Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:		NTITY	
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items	
	B.1.		ame, e-mail address, mailing address, telephone number, and facsimile number of the State should contact regarding the response.
	B.2.	Describe the Respondent's form of business (<i>i.e.</i> , individual, sole proprietor, corporation, non-profit corporation, partnership, limited liability company) and business location (physical location or domicile).	
	B.3.	Detail the nu	umber of years the Respondent has been in business.
	B.4.	Briefly descr this RFP.	ibe how long the Respondent has been providing the goods or services required by
	B.5.	Describe the	e Respondent's number of employees, client base, and location of offices.
	B.6.	Provide a statement of whether there have been any mergers, acquisitions, or change of control of the Respondent within the last ten (10) years. If so, include an explanation providing relevant details.	
	B.7.	Respondent delivery of g convicted of	atement of whether the Respondent or, to the Respondent's knowledge, any of the 's employees, agents, independent contractors, or subcontractors, involved in the oods or performance of services on a contract pursuant to this RFP, have been, pled guilty to, or pled <i>nolo contendere</i> to any felony. If so, include an explanation evant details.
	B.8.	against it) ar undergone t	atement of whether, in the last ten (10) years, the Respondent has filed (or had filed by bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, whether voluntary or involuntary, or he appointment of a receiver, trustee, or assignee for the benefit of creditors. If so, xplanation providing relevant details.
	B.9.	that the Res requirement Respondent and attach the	atement of whether there is any material, pending litigation against the Respondent pondent should reasonably believe could adversely affect its ability to meet contract is pursuant to this RFP or is likely to have a material adverse effect on the 's financial condition. If such exists, list each separately, explain the relevant details, ne opinion of counsel addressing whether and to what extent it would impair the 's performance in a contract pursuant to this RFP.
		Respondent	persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal opinions regarding the must be properly licensed to render such opinions. The State may require the to submit proof of license for each person or entity that renders such opinions.
	B.10.	Commission the relevant	atement of whether there are any pending or in progress Securities Exchange investigations involving the Respondent. If such exists, list each separately, explain details, and attach the opinion of counsel addressing whether and to what extent it will espondent's performance in a contract pursuant to this RFP.
			persons, agencies, firms, or other entities that provide legal opinions regarding the must be properly licensed to render such opinions. The State may require the

RFP ATTACHMENT 6.2. — SECTION B (continued)

			REPAITAGEMENT 6.2. — SECTION B (Continued)
RESPONDENT NAME:	LEGAL E	ENTITY	
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items	
		Respondent t	to submit proof of license for each person or entity that renders such opinions.
	B.11.	goods or serv	ef, descriptive statement detailing evidence of the Respondent's ability to deliver the vices sought under this RFP (e.g., prior experience, training, certifications, resources, quality management systems, etc.).
	B.12.	structure alor	rrative description of the proposed project team, its members, and organizational ng with an organizational chart identifying the key people who will be assigned to pods or services required by this RFP.
	B.13.	the Responde individual will the people lis	rsonnel roster listing the names of key people who the Respondent will assign to meet ent's requirements under this RFP along with the estimated number of hours that each devote to that performance. Follow the personnel roster with a resume for each of ted. The resumes must detail the individual's title, education, current position with the and employment history.
	B.14.	Respondent's (a) the name number, (b) a descrip delivery of the control of the	tement of whether the Respondent intends to use subcontractors to meet the sequirements of any contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, and if so, detail: es of the subcontractors along with the contact person, mailing address, telephone and e-mail address for each; of the scope and portions of the goods each subcontractor involved in the of goods or performance of the services each subcontractor will perform; and eatement specifying that each proposed subcontractor has expressly assented to being a subcontractor in the Respondent's response to this RFP.
	B.15.	following: (a) Business procedur minorities	mentation of the Respondent's commitment to diversity as represented by the strategy. Provide a description of the Respondent's existing programs and res designed to encourage and foster commerce with business enterprises owned by s, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business enterprises. Ilso include a list of the Respondent's certifications as a diversity business, if
		(b) Business enterpris business (i) cont (ii) cont	Relationships. Provide a listing of the Respondent's current contracts with business ses owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small enterprises. Please include the following information: Tract description; Tractor name and ownership characteristics (<i>i.e.</i> , ethnicity, gender, Tennessee service-bled);
		(c) Estimate owned by enterprise the follow (i) a per parti	ractor contact name and telephone number. d Participation. Provide an estimated level of participation by business enterprises y minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans, and small business es if a contract is awarded to the Respondent pursuant to this RFP. Please include ving information: ercentage (%) indicating the participation estimate. (Express the estimated icipation number as a percentage of the total estimated contract value that will be
		char (ii) antid (iii) nam	cated to business with subcontractors and supply contractors having such ownership racteristics only and DO NOT INCLUDE DOLLAR AMOUNTS); cipated goods or services contract descriptions; less and ownership characteristics (i.e., ethnicity, gender, Tennessee service-disabled rans) of anticipated subcontractors and supply contractors.
		NOTE: I	n order to claim status as a Diversity Business Enterprise under this contract,

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RESPONDENT NAME:	LEGAL I	NTITY		
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items		
		businesses must be certified by the Governor's Office of Diversity Business Enterprise (Go-DBE). Please visit the Go-DBE website at https://tn.diversitysoftware.com/FrontEnd/StartCertification.asp?TN=tn&XID=9810 for more information. (d) Workforce . Provide the percentage of the Respondent's total current employees by ethnicity and gender.		
		NOTE: Respondents that demonstrate a commitment to diversity will advance State efforts to expand opportunity to do business with the State as contractors and subcontractors. Response evaluations will recognize the positive qualifications and experience of a Respondent that does business with enterprises owned by minorities, women, Tennessee service-disabled veterans and small business enterprises and who offer a diverse workforce.		
	B.16.	Provide a statement of whether or not the Respondent has any current contracts with the State of Tennessee or has completed any contracts with the State of Tennessee within the previous five (5) year period. If so, provide the following information for all of the current and completed contracts: (a) the name, title, telephone number and e-mail address of the State contact knowledgeable about the contract;		
		(b) the procuring State agency name;(c) a brief description of the contract's scope of services;(d) the contract period; and		
		 (e) the contract number. NOTES: Current or prior contracts with the State are not a prerequisite and are not required for the maximum evaluation score, and the existence of such contracts with the State will not automatically result in the addition or deduction of evaluation points. Each evaluator will generally consider the results of inquiries by the State regarding all contracts noted. 		
	B.17.	Provide customer references from individuals who are <u>not</u> current or former State employees for projects similar to the goods or services sought under this RFP and which represent:		
		• two (2) accounts Respondent currently services that are similar in size to the State; and		
		• three (3) completed projects. References from at least three (3) different individuals are required to satisfy the requirements above, e.g., an individual may provide a reference about a completed project and another reference about a currently serviced account. The standard reference questionnaire, which must be used and completed, is provided at RFP Attachment 6.4. References that are not completed as required may be deemed non-responsive and may not be considered.		
		The Respondent will be <u>solely</u> responsible for obtaining fully completed reference questionnaires and including them in the sealed Technical Response. In order to obtain and submit the completed reference questionnaires follow the process below.		
		(a) Add the Respondent's name to the standard reference questionnaire at RFP Attachment 6.4. and make a copy for each reference.		
		(b) Send a reference questionnaire and new, standard #10 envelope to each reference.		
		(c) Instruct the reference to:		
		(i) complete the reference questionnaire; (ii) gign and date the completed reference questionnaire;		
		(ii) sign and date the completed reference questionnaire;(iii) seal the completed, signed, and dated reference questionnaire within the envelope provided;		
		(iv) sign his or her name in ink across the sealed portion of the envelope; and		
		(v) return the sealed envelope directly to the Respondent (the Respondent may wish to give each reference a deadline, such that the Respondent will be able to collect all required		

RFP ATTACHMENT 6.2. — SECTION B (continued)

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:		NTITY	
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section B— General Qualifications & Experience Items	
		ref	erences in time to include them within the sealed Technical Response).
		(e) Enclose Technic	T open the sealed references upon receipt. e all sealed reference envelopes within a larger, labeled envelope for inclusion in the cal Response as required.
		which is described in the state of the state	e will not accept late references or references submitted by any means other than that described above, and each reference questionnaire submitted must be completed as a will not review more than the number of required references indicated above. State will base its reference check on the contents of the sealed reference envelopes in the Technical Response package, the State reserves the right to confirm and clarify on detailed in the completed reference questionnaires, and may consider clarification is in the evaluation of references.
	B.18.		e is under <u>no</u> obligation to clarify any reference information. tatement and any relevant details addressing whether the Respondent is any of the
		(a)	is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;
			has within the past three (3) years, been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against the contracting party from commission of fraud, or a criminal offence in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
			is presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed above; and
			has within a three (3) year period preceding the contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.
	B.19.	As a percentage, what is the makeup of your current clients under contract for the following categories: a) Owner/Program Manager, b) Architect/Engineer, c) Contractor/Construction Manager, d) Subcontractor, and e) Other	
	B.20.	What percer	ntage of your company's total business involves activities/services similar to the scope?
		sco	RE (for <u>all</u> Section B—Qualifications & Experience Items above): (maximum possible score = 10)
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SECTION C: TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & APPROACH. The Respondent must address all items (below) and provide, in sequence, the information and documentation as required (referenced with the associated item references). The Respondent must also detail the response page number for each item in the appropriate space below.

A Proposal Evaluation Team, made up of three or more State employees, will independently evaluate and score the response to each item. Each evaluator will use the following whole number, raw point scale for scoring each item:

 $0 = little \ value$ 1 = poor 2 = fair 3 = satisfactory 4 = good 5 = excellent

The Solicitation Coordinator will multiply the Item Score by the associated Evaluation Factor (indicating the relative emphasis of the item in the overall evaluation). The resulting product will be the item's Raw Weighted Score for purposes of calculating the section score as indicated.

RESPONDEN	Γ LEGAL ENTITY NA	ME:				
Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.		on C— Technical Qualifications, xperience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
	C.1.	Responden	Provide a narrative that illustrates the Respondent's understanding of the State's requirements and project schedule.		3	
	C.2.	Responden scope of se	Provide a narrative that illustrates how the Respondent will manage the project, complete the scope of services, accomplish required objectives, and meet the State's project schedule.		5	
	C.3.	of any 3rd p	oposed software require the installation party software other than an internet function? If so, list and describe the the required 3rd party software.		5	
	C.4.	deployment facility and against a brooss your sprotection in 1. physica 2. bandwi	ted Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) c, please describe the physical hosting the mechanisms in place to protect reach in security, or a natural disaster. solution include any of the following nechanisms (yes or no for each): al security dth provisioning power		5	
	C.5.	4. conting 5. other b	ency cooling ack-up systems. uptime percentage of your application			
	0.0.		t 12 months? What is the guaranteed		5	
	C.6.	maintenanc	been any application outages excluding the windows in the last 12 months? If yes, cribe cause and resolution and amount e.		5	
	C.7.	Please deso	cribe your disaster recovery plan and		5	
	C.8.	disaster rec	ntain tape backups as part of your covery plan? If yes, please describe your nand storage strategy.		5	

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:

Response Page # (Respondent completes)		Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
	C.9.	Do you maintain multiple data centers for disaster recovery? If yes, please provide their city locations and describe how they are utilized in your disaster recovery plan.		5	
	C.10.	Please provide a detailed description as to how software upgrades are addressed and implemented.		3	
	C.11.	Do you have a test environment that is utilized by your developers and is accessible by test users before an upgrade is deployed into the production environment?		4	
	C.12.	Do you have technical support as identified in section A.7 of the pro forma?		5	
	C.13.	What is the time frame for delivering a customer enhancement request?		3	
	C.14.	Is the application certified by the operating system platform vendor for optimal performance? If yes please provide certification information.		3	
	C.15.	Please provide a description of how you will meet the data exchange requirements in pro forma section A.4.		2	
	C.16.	Do you provide integrated virus scan and protection?		4	
	C.17.	What options are available for users seeking support?		4	
	C.18.	What is your process for tracking support requests?		4	
	C.19.	Do you measure how quickly issues get resolved?		4	
	C.20.	Please provide a description of the escalation process for managing support calls?		4	
	C.21.	Does the software have any data exchange tools, such as a web-service Application Programming Interface (API)? If yes, does this tool/API use the following industry-standard protocols: SOAP, XML, HTIP and SSL?		3	
	C.22.	Does the software support the agcXML industry standard data exchange schema?		3	
	C.23.	Does the software provide data transfer as part of a process utilizing a Business Process Automation (BPA) engine?		5	
	C.24.	Does the software provide manual, on-demand data import tools for budgets, budget changes, contracts, change orders, invoices, contacts, licensed users, BPA engine processes (e.g., submittals, RFIs)? If yes, does the software provide the ability to map fields from the import file into the software during the upload process?		5	
	C.25.	Does the software provide a step-by-step wizard for the import tool from the user interface?		5	

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:

Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.	Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items	Item Score	Evaluation Factor	Raw Weighted Score
	C.26.	Does the software provide the ability to schedule (e.g., daily, weekly, monthly) batch import/export of data?		4	
	C.27.	Can the software deliver batch exports to a FTP or Secure FTP site where they can be retrieved manually or by another system?		4	
	C.28.	Can the software integrate with accounting/financial management and HR software? If yes, provide a list of the two (2) most recent integration projects to a financial/ERP software.		4	
	C.29.	Does your software provide different integration options (e.g., live, batch, manual import-export)?		4	
	C.30.	Please describe your software's Business Process Automation (BPA) capabilities.		5	
	C.31.	Is there a limit to the number of budgets that can be managed in the software at any one time? E.g., can we have 200+ projects in different phases and pull data as needed?		5	
	C.32.	Please provide a complete list of all supported file formats (i.e DWG, .PDF, .DOC, .MPP, etc.).		4	
C.33.	How soon after contract signing can the implementation begin?		5		
	C.34.	Please provide us with a copy of your implementation methodology including deployment.		5	
	C.35.	As risk is always a factor in software implementations, describe how your organization will ensure the proposed software is implemented on time and to our satisfaction. If changes need to be made during implementation, how would you accommodate our request?		4	
	C.36.	Over the last five years, what percentage of your clients implemented your software to manage construction projects?		5	
	C.37.	The execution of our capital program involves multiple companies and hundreds of users each with their own software. With such diversity, explain how your company can ensure participation by all of the participants.		4	
	C.38.	Describe your company's training program for new employees.		4	
	C.39.	How quickly can the complete system (including cost, schedule, document management, business process/workflow and reporting) be deployed? Please provide examples of last 5 clients deployed, when those deployments happened, and how long each deployment took.		5	
	C.40.	Do you provide live, online training classes?		3	
	C.41.	Do you provide on demand recorded training classes? If yes, please provide a list of available courses and a link.		4	
	C.42.	Do you have an annual user conference?		3	
	C.43.	Do you provide a certification program for administrators?		3	
	C.44.	Do you provide a dedicated account manager?		4	

Response Page # (Respondent completes)	Item Ref.		Section C— Technical Qualifications, Experience & Approach Items Score Factor			Raw Weighted Score
	C.45.		Have you had any implementations that failed? If yes please describe the reasons why.			
	C.46.		Please provide a sample implementation schedule			
	C.47.	Does the service include storage lir unlimited?			5	
The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the section score. All calculations will use and result in numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point. Total Raw Weighted Score: (sum of Raw Weighted Scores above)						
Maximum Possible Raw Weighted Score (i.e., 5 x the sum of item weights above)			X 10 (maximum poss score)	sible	= SCORE:	
	(i.e., 5 x the su	ini oi item weignis above)				

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SECTION D: FUNCTIONALITY MATRIX. The Respondent must address all items in RFP Attachment 6.2.1 - Functionality Matrix and provide any information and documentation as required. The Respondent shall consider all requirements marked with an asterisk as essential items. **All Items will be scored using the following evaluation criteria:**

Functionality available "out of the box" = 5 Points
Functionality available via 3rd party solution = 2 Points
Functionality available via non source code configuration = 4 Points
Functionality available via source code customization = 2 Points
Not supported = 0 Points

The Solicitation Coordinator will review the response to determine if the Requirement Items are addressed as required and will determine each Respondent's responsiveness. For any item that is not addressed as outlined in the instructions, the Solicitation Coordinator may require clarification from the Respondent.

The Solicitation Coordinator will sum the total of all Points for each Respondent and will use the following formula to calculate the Section D Score. If any essential item is considered "not supported" then the Respondent may be found non-responsive to this solicitation.

Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations

RESPONI NAME:	DENT LEGAL ENTITY				
	Section D— Functionality Matrix	Score			
	ESSENTIAL SCORE (for Section D— Functionality Matrix – Pro Forma Contract Attachment 1): (maximum possible score = 24.5)				
	NON-ESSENTIAL SCORE (for Section D— Functionality Matrix – Pro Forma Contract Attachment 1):				
State Use	(maximum possible score = 10.5) State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:				

Non-Essential Score:

Total Number of points received

Total number of points available

Essential Score:

Total Number of points received	x10.5	= SCORE:	
Total number of points available			

x24.5

= SCORE:

RFP ATTACHMENT 6.2.1 – FUNCTIONALITY MATRIX

Placeholder for the Functionality Matrix excel document to be included and completed during the RFP process.

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SECTION D: ORAL PRESENTATION. The Respondent must address ALL Oral Presentation Items (below).

A Proposal Evaluation Team, made up of three or more State employees, will independently evaluate and score the presentation response to each item. Each evaluator will use the following whole-number, raw point scale for scoring each item:

 $0 = little \ value$ 1 = poor 2 = fair 3 = satisfactory 4 = good 5 = excellent

The Solicitation Coordinator will multiply the Item Score by the associated Evaluation Factor (indicating the relative emphasis of the item in the overall evaluation). The resulting product will be the item's raw, weighted score for purposes of calculating the section score as indicated.

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:				
Oral Presentation Items Item Score Evaluation Factor				
D.1. Product demonstration representing the vendors understanding of the needs of the State of Tennessee based on the RFP requirements.		1		
Total Raw Weighted Score (sum of Raw Weighted Scores above): The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations.				
total raw weighted score				
maximum possible raw weighted score	(15 section score)	= SCORE:		
State Use – Evaluator Identification:				
State Use – Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:				

COST PROPOSAL & SCORING GUIDE

NOTICE: THIS COST PROPOSAL MUST BE COMPLETED EXACTLY AS REQUIRED

COST PROPOSAL SCHEDULE— The Cost Proposal, detailed below, shall indicate the proposed price for goods or services defined in the Scope of Services of the RFP Attachment 6.6., *Pro Forma* Contract and for the entire contract period. The Cost Proposal shall remain valid for at least one hundred twenty (120) days subsequent to the date of the Cost Proposal opening and thereafter in accordance with any contract resulting from this RFP. All monetary amounts shall be in U.S. currency and limited to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point.

NOTICE:

The Evaluation Factor associated with each cost item is for evaluation purposes <u>only</u>. The evaluation factors do NOT and should NOT be construed as any type of volume guarantee or minimum purchase quantity. The evaluation factors shall NOT create rights, interests, or claims of entitlement in the Respondent.

Notwithstanding the cost items herein, pursuant to the second paragraph of the *Pro Forma* Contract section C.1. (refer to RFP Attachment 6.6.), "The State is under no obligation to request work from the Contractor in any specific dollar amounts or to request any work at all from the Contractor during any period of this Contract."

This Cost Proposal must be signed, in the space below, by an individual empowered to bind the Respondent to the provisions of this RFP and any contract awarded pursuant to it. If said individual is not the *President* or *Chief Executive Officer*, this document <u>must</u> attach evidence showing the individual's authority to legally bind the Respondent.

RESPONDENT SIGNATURE:			
PRINTED NAME & TITLE:			
DATE:			
RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME:			
		State	e Use Only
Cost Item Description	Proposed Cost	Evaluation Factor	Evaluation Cost (cost x factor)
ONE TIME DESIGN, CONFIGURATION, & TRAINING SERVICES ("IMPLEMENTATION")			
Phase 1 – Enterprise Design			
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope below	\$ /TOTAL	1	
Phase 2 – Enterprise Configuration			
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope below	\$ /TOTAL	1	
Phase 3 – Enterprise Training			
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope below	\$ /TOTAL	1	
ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION			

RESPONDENT LEGAL ENTITY NAME: State Use Only **Cost Item Description Proposed Cost Evaluation Evaluation Cost Factor** (cost x factor) Annual Items: **Unlimited Licenses Unlimited Projects Unlimited Document** Storage 24 x 7 Technical Support File Transfer Tool **Custom Development** Maintenance Quarterly Enhancement/Upgrades with Release Training Maintenance Releases /YEAR 1 **CUSTOM REPORT DEVELOPMENT** (Requiring change order language in pro forma section c.3.d) /HOUR **Project Manager Rate** \$ 1 Technician Rate 1 \$ /HOUR **EVALUATION COST AMOUNT** (sum of evaluation costs above): The Solicitation Coordinator will use this sum and the formula below to calculate the Cost Proposal Score. Numbers rounded to two (2) places to the right of the decimal point will be standard for calculations. lowest evaluation cost amount from all proposals x 30 = SCORE: (maximum section score) evaluation cost amount being evaluated State Use - Solicitation Coordinator Signature, Printed Name & Date:

REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

The standard reference questionnaire provided on the following pages of this attachment MUST be completed by all individuals offering a reference for the Respondent.

The Respondent will be <u>solely</u> responsible for obtaining completed reference questionnaires as required (refer to RFP Attachment 6.2., Technical Response & Evaluation Guide, Section B, Item B.17.), and for enclosing the sealed reference envelopes within the Respondent's Technical Response.

RFP # 32101-16107 REFERENCE QUESTIONNAIRE

REFERENCE SUBJECT: RESPONDENT NAME (completed by Respondent before reference is requested)

The "reference subject" specified above, intends to submit a response to the State of Tennessee in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) indicated. As a part of such response, the reference subject must include a number of completed and sealed reference questionnaires (using this form).

Each individual responding to this reference questionnaire is asked to follow these instructions:

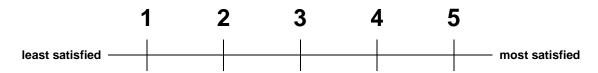
- complete this questionnaire (either using the form provided or an exact duplicate of this document);
- sign and date the completed questionnaire;
- seal the completed, signed, and dated questionnaire in a new standard #10 envelope;
- sign in ink across the sealed portion of the envelope; and
- return the sealed envelope containing the completed questionnaire directly to the reference subject.
- (1) What is the name of the individual, company, organization, or entity responding to this reference questionnaire?
- (2) Please provide the following information about the individual completing this reference questionnaire on behalf of the above-named individual, company, organization, or entity.

NAME:	
TITLE:	
TELEPHONE #	
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	

(3) What goods or services does/did the reference subject provide to your company or organization?

(4) What is the level of your overall satisfaction with the reference subject as a vendor of the goods or services described above?

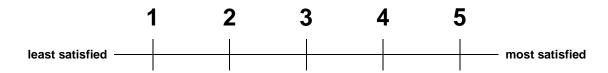
Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



If you circled 3 or less above, what could the reference subject have done to improve that rating?

- (5) If the goods or services that the reference subject provided to your company or organization are completed, were the goods or services provided in compliance with the terms of the contract, on time, and within budget? If not, please explain.
- (6) If the reference subject is still providing goods or services to your company or organization, are these goods or services being provided in compliance with the terms of the contract, on time, and within budget? If not, please explain.
- (7) How satisfied are you with the reference subject's ability to perform based on your expectations and according to the contractual arrangements?
- (8) In what areas of goods or service delivery does/did the reference subject excel?
- (9) In what areas of goods or service delivery does/did the reference subject fall short?
- (10) What is the level of your satisfaction with the reference subject's project management structures, processes, and personnel?

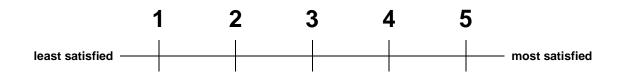
Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

(11) Considering the staff assigned by the reference subject to deliver the goods or services described in response to question 3 above, how satisfied are you with the technical abilities, professionalism, and interpersonal skills of the individuals assigned?

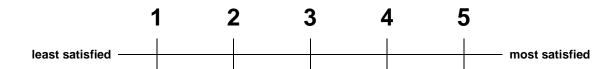
Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

(12) Would you contract again with the reference subject for the same or similar goods or services?

Please respond by circling the appropriate number on the scale below.



What, if any, comments do you have regarding the score selected above?

REFERENCE SIGNATURE:

(by the individual completing this request for reference information)

(must be the same as the signature across the envelope seal)

DATE:

SCORE SUMMARY MATRIX

	RESPONDENT NAME RESPONDENT NAME		ENT NAME	RESPONDENT NAME		
GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE (maximum: 10)						
EVALUATOR NAME						
EVALUATOR NAME						
REPEAT AS NECESSARY						
	AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:	
TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & APPROACH (maximum: 10)						
EVALUATOR NAME						
EVALUATOR NAME						
REPEAT AS NECESSARY						
	AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:	
FUNCTIONALITY MATRIX (maximum 35)	SCORE:		SCORE:		SCORE:	
ORAL PRESENTATION (maximum: 15)						
EVALUATOR NAME						
EVALUATOR NAME						
REPEAT AS NECESSARY						
	AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:		AVERAGE:	
COST PROPOSAL (maximum: 30)	SCORE:		SCORE:		SCORE:	
TOTAL RESPONSE EVALUATION SCORE: (maximum: 100)						
Solicitation Coordinator Signature	Drintad Nama	& Data:				

RFP # 32101-16107 PRO FORMA CONTRACT

The *Pro Forma* Contract detailed in following pages of this exhibit contains some "blanks" (signified by descriptions in capital letters) that will be completed with appropriate information in the final contract resulting from the RFP.



(fee-for-goods or services contract with an individual, business, non-profit, or governmental entity of another state)						
Begin Date	Date End Da			Agency Tr	acking #	Edison Record ID
Contracto	r Legal Entity Name					Edison Vendor ID
Goods or	Services Caption (or	ne line only)				
Contracto	r	CF	FDA #			
Contractor						
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Comp	etitive Selection		Describe the comp	etitive select	ion process used	
Other		С	Describe the select	ion process	used and submit a	Special Contract Request
Budget Officer Confirmation: There is a balance in the appropriation from which obligations hereunder are required to be paid that is not already encumbered to pay other obligations.						
Speed Cha	art (optional)	Account (Code (optional)			

CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES AND CONTRACTOR NAME

This Contract, by and between the State of Tennessee, Department Of General Services ("State") and Contractor Legal Entity Name ("Contractor"), is for the provision of Scope of Goods or Services Caption, as further defined in the "SCOPE." State and Contractor may be referred to individually as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties" to this Contract.

The Contractor is a/an Individual, For-Profit Corporation, Non-Profit Corporation, Special Purpose Corporation Or Association, Partnership, Joint Venture, Or Limited Liability Company. Contractor Place of Incorporation or Organization: Location Contractor Edison Registration ID # Number

A. SCOPE:

A.1. The Contractor shall provide all goods or services and deliverables as required, described, and detailed below and shall meet all service and delivery timelines as specified by this Contract.

A.2 Definitions and Abbreviations

TERM DEFINITION		
ACH	Automated Clearing House	
ACPs	Application Connection Points	
Additional Service Proposal Request	Document in which the Contractor and the State may agree to additional services beyond those identified in the Contract.	
Application Programming Interface (API)	A system of tools and resources in an operating system, enabling developers to create software applications.	
Business Process Automation (BPA)	Technology enabled automation of activities or services that accomplish a specific function or workflow.	
Design Criteria Development Document	Document that outlines and provides specifics relative to the elements to be contained in the PMOS as agreed upon between the Contractor and the State.	
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning	
FTP	File Transfer Protocol	
PMOS	Project Management Operating System	
RTO	Recovery Time Objective	

- A.3. PMOS Environment. The Contractor will host and provide support for the PMOS solution while in operation in the target environment, and while migrating between the current and target technical environments. The remainder of this Section A.3., PMOS Technical Environment, provides information related to the technical environment to which the State intends to migrate.
 - a. The application must support access via Microsoft Internet Explorer 11 or higher.
 - b. The solution, at a minimum, must be capable of performing project management functions related, but not limited to creation and maintenance of information about contracts, contractors, projects, project funding, project expenditures, purchase orders, journals, accounts payable, invoicing, payments, pre-planning, budgeting, and other elements that are contained in Pro Forma Attachment 2.
 - c. It is the State's intent to implement the product as an "out-of-the-box", configurable solution. Any customizations needed to provide the State with the desired functionality must be approved by the State prior to development.

- d. The application will be compliant with the State's Enterprise Information Security Policies. Further, the application must be available 99% of the contract duration.
 - Processing environment must be SOC2 Type 2, FedRamp or ISO 27000 compliant.
 - ii. Contractor must provide proof of certification to the State on an annual basis.
 - iii. Data must reside in the United States.
 - iv. At the term of the contract or as requested by the State, the Contractor must return all State data in its possession to the State.
 - v. At the term of the contract or as requested by the State, State data must be sanitized in accordance with NIST publication 800-88.
- e. The Contractor may request a copy of the Enterprise Information Security Policies by submitting a written request to the contact listed in Section D.2., Communications and Contacts.
- f. All reports should have the capability of being written in Crystal Reports. Any background printing must not interfere with the use of the system. If batch processing is required, it must be completed between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Central Time.
- g. The State is currently using PeopleSoft Human Capital Management and Financial Supply Chain Management version 8.9, the installation of which is collectively known as Edison. As addressed in Section A.4., Edison Data Exchange, the State will potentially need to exchange certain data between the PMOS solution and Edison as required to meet the State's business needs.
- A.4. Edison Data Exchange. The Contractor will develop the means by which data is exchanged between the PMOS solution and Edison. The data to be exchanged could include, but is not limited to information related to the following:

Capital projects: Creation and maintenance of information about contracts, contractors, projects, project funding, project expenditures, purchase orders, journals, accounts payable, invoicing, and payments.

The exchange of data will be bi-directional. Some data will originate in the PMOS solution and be passed to Edison; data to be exchanged will also originate in Edison and be passed to the PMOS. It is the State's intent that the data exchange will be accomplished through the use of flat files that are processed in the PMOS solution and/or Edison between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Central Time. The layout of the flat files to be exchanged must conform to State specifications for the Edison Interface File Layouts, as they may be modified from time to time as required by version updates/upgrades. Specification and delivery will be requested and accomplished as described in the Design Criteria Development Document.

A.5. Disaster Recovery.

- a. The Recovery Time Objective (RTO) is 4 hours when downtime is during 6:00 am to 2:00 pm Central time on an official State work day.
- b. The RTO is 6 hours when downtime is 4:00 am to 6:00 am Central time on an official State work day.
- c. The RTO is 8 hours when downtime is 2:00 pm to 4:00 am Central time on an official State work day or any timeframe on an official State non-work day.
- d. The Recovery Point Objective is all data within 1 hour(s) of the disaster should be recoverable and available when system is brought back online, with the goal being no lost data.

A.6. PMOS Software Licensing and Upgrades. The Contractor will provide the State with unlimited licenses for the currently marketed release(s) of the PMOS software modules and Application Connection Points (ACPs) as of the request date at the costs contained in Section C.3.b. of this contract. The Contractor will provide to the State subscriptions to the PMOS Software Subscription Program for the software modules and ACPs licensed at a cost per Section C.3. of this contract.

The software module and ACP licenses provided, and the subscriptions to the PMOS Software Subscription Program, are the property of the State upon payment of the Contractor's invoice for said item(s). The subscription in the PMOS Software Subscription Program entitles the State to all the rights and privileges of such subscription, as defined by the PMOS software manufacturer, including but not limited to receiving any upgrades, software fixes, and/or performance enhancement releases that may be issued by the PMOS software manufacturer during the subscription period.

A.7. PMOS Technical Support. The Contractor will provide PMOS technical support to the State, including, but not limited to, telephone support and email support during the contract period. Technical support is intended to provide State staff (business and technical) with a means to obtain answers to questions about the use and support of the PMOS solution. Technical support is not intended to be the means by which other services outlined within this Contract's Scope of Services are provided.

Specifically, technical support is NOT the provision of:

- On-site assistance with the installation/implementation of software upgrades and new releases;
- 2) On-site assistance related to recovery of the PMOS solution from a disaster unless the disaster is caused by the Contractor;
- 3) PMOS solution performance measurement and optimization;
- 4) Programming, configuration and customization services;
- 5) Problem resolution and response, although the identification or recognition of a problem in need of resolution and response may occur as a result of a technical support incident.

Specification and delivery of the above listed services indicated to be NOT considered technical support will be requested and accomplished as described in Section A.13. Additional Service Proposal Request Process.

Live technical support will be made available during the hours of 6:00 a.m. CST and 6:00 p.m. CST, Monday through Friday.

In order for the technical support service to be considered available, the Contractor's technical support operation must be staffed with personnel who are qualified to answer the more commonly asked questions related to the use of the PMOS, and are reasonably accessible during the hours and on the days indicated above. Reasonable accessibility is defined as, at a minimum, able to receive messages, either email or voice mail, and reply within one hour of message receipt or by 9:00 a.m. CST on the next business day if the message is delivered after 5:00 p.m.CST.

Technical support shall be available 24/7 by means of training videos, notes, PowerPoint's, etc. on the home page of the solution or in a location agreed upon between the Contractor and the State that is accessible by users and can accommodate frequently asked questions and simple issues which do not require a live response.

A.8. PMOS Solution. The Contractor will assist the State to evaluate the needs of the PMOS solution and provide to the State recommendations for optimizing performance. Specification and delivery of services as described in this Section A.8 will be requested and accomplished as described in the Design Criteria Development Document which will become the elements, agreed upon between the Contractor and the State that will be developed for the PMOS Solution.

Design Phase will be that period which starts at the effective date of the Contract and ends at successful completion and sign off by the Contractor and State of the agreed upon Design Criteria Development Document referenced herein.

The Design Criteria Development Document will identify the workflows identified by the State as necessary for the successful implementation of the solution to meet the design and construction program needs within the State. This document will include, but not be limited to: Planning, Design, Procurement, Construction, Submittals, Proposals, Programming, Close Out, Evaluations, Performance, Reporting, Workflow Approval (Change Orders, Contract Approvals, RFI's, etc.), Document Management, Cost Management (Forecasting, Funding Sources, Cash Flow), Schedule Management, Capital Planning, and Bidding.

A.9. PMOS Training Services and Documentation. The Contractor will provide training services to the State related to the use of the PMOS software and/or the business solutions implemented using the PMOS. Training services for the State's staff will be provided, as requested. Training may be conducted on-site or through live-linked or WebEx training sessions. The Contractor will be compensated, as defined Section C.3.b and as agreed to in the Design Criteria Development Document

Specification and delivery of PMOS training services will be requested and accomplished as described in Design Criteria Development Document.

The Contractor will provide any and all documentation pertaining to the PMOS and all future documentation that is part of the PMOS. Documentation, for purposes of this Section A.10., includes but is not limited to:

- 1) User Manual
- 2) Quick Reference User's Card
- 3) Operations & Procedure Manual
- 4) Training videos

The Contractor will provide the documentation with the purchase of the PMOS solution to the State at no additional cost. Documentation of the PMOS solution that is prepared by the Contractor for use by the State, and that is above and beyond that which is outlined above will be requested and accomplished via an Additional Service Proposal Request as described in Section A.13.

The content of these manuals should be written in easy to understand language and include useful graphic presentations. The Contractor must provide to the State for its exclusive use an electronic copy of all documentation. Further, if changes to the manuals are required as a result of changes made to the PMOS (refer to Section A.11., Programming, Configuration and Customization Services), the updated documentation must be provided to the State as required by this Section A.10.

- A.10. <u>Design, Configuration and Customization Services</u>. The Contractor will provide to the State design, configuration and customization services, including but not limited to the following and will be compensated per C.3 below:
 - 1) Assistance with the installation/implementation of software upgrades and new releases;
 - 2) Provision of recommended implementation procedures for the effective utilization of the PMOS.
 - 3) Configuration of system functionality;
 - 4) Conversion of existing database information into PMOS;
 - 5) Creation of custom reports:
 - 6) Modification of custom reports;
 - 7) Creation of custom code and/or database tables:
 - 8) Modification of custom code and/or database tables.

The programming, configuration and customization services provided by the Contractor may result from a need to replace, repair, correct, modify, or otherwise update the existing PMOS

solution. These services may also result from the State's request to enhance the PMOS solution. Regardless of the reason for the programming, configuration and customization services, specification and delivery of these above listed services will be requested and accomplished as described in the Design Criteria Development Document and/or Amendments to this Contract.

The Contractor is required to fully test and review all programming, configuration and customization prior to delivery to the State. This may include, at the State's option, unit testing, integration testing, system testing, capacity testing, and regression testing. The Contractor is required to establish and maintain the technical environment necessary to enable this testing to be performed on the Contractor's premises. The Contractor will deliver documentation of the testing effort performed, and the testing results, upon delivery to the State of the programming, configuration and customization.

It is the State's expectation that all programming, configuration and customization will function accurately and without error at the time of delivery to the State. The State will perform testing to verify accurate and error free function; however, it is the State's expectation that few if any issues are identified as a result of the State's testing. If any issues are identified as a result of the State's testing, these issues will be resolved by the Contractor in a most timely manner.

A.11. <u>Problem Reporting and Response</u>. The Contractor will respond to problem reports in an orderly and timely manner. A problem is defined as a failure of the solution, in whole or in part, or the solution's generation of an incorrect or inconsistent result. Problems are not defined as less than desirable or less than preferable processing, reporting, or presentation of data by the solution; these are enhancements (refer to severity level 4 below).

Problems may be identified through a number of means. Regardless of the means of identification, once a problem is identified, the State will log the problem by assigning the incident a unique incident number. The State will assign a severity level (refer to the severity level definitions below) to the problem at the time the incident is logged. The resulting incident log is the official record of outstanding issues to be addressed between the State and the Contractor.

The State will report a problem to the Contractor by emailing a description of the problem to the Contractor's designated staff. In the case of an urgent problem, the State will also contact the Contractor's designated staff by telephone. The State will designate a limited number of staff (less than five (5)) that is authorized to report problems to the Contractor. This same staff is the State's designee for receiving the Contractor's response to a problem report. The Contractor will designate to the State a limited number of staff (less than five (5)) that is authorized to receive problems reports from the State. This same staff is the Contractor's designee for submitting to the State the Contractor's response to a problem report.

Severity Level Definitions

Severity 1: results in the failure of the complete solution. There is no acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result.

Severity 2: results in the complete failure of a subsystem, key business or technical function, or of a software unit within the system. There is no way to make the failed component(s) work. However, there is a documented, acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result. Note that if there is not a documented, acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result, the incident will be reclassified as a Severity 1 deficiency.

Severity 3: results in the system or a unit of the system producing incorrect, incomplete, or inconsistent results; however, does not result in the failure of the complete software system (Severity 1), or of a subsystem, key business or technical function, or software unit within the system (Severity 2). There is a documented, acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result. Note that if there is not a documented, acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result, the incident will be reclassified as a Severity 2 deficiency.

Severity 4: results in a less than desirable or less than preferable processing, reporting, or presentation of data by the system, whether upon input or after storage in the database; however, does not result in the failure of the complete software system (Severity 1), or of a subsystem, key business or technical function, or software unit within the system (Severity 2), or the system or a unit of the system producing incorrect, incomplete, or inconsistent results (Severity 3). There is a documented, acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result. Note that if there is not a documented, acceptable alternative that will yield the desired result, the incident will be reclassified as a Severity 3 deficiency.

For purposes of this Section A.12., as used in the description of the problem classification levels, final determination of the acceptability of an alternative rests solely with the State. The Contractor will respond to the problem report as described below, depending upon the assigned severity level. In the event that the Contractor cannot resolve the deficiency within the indicated timeframe, through no fault of the Contractor, then the Contractor may request the State to grant an extension in writing; the State shall not unreasonably deny such requests.

Acknowledgement of Receipt of Problem Report	Severity 1 Problem Within the same business day of receiving the problem report.	Severity 2 Problem Within one (1) business day of receiving the problem report.	Severity 3 Problem Within one (1) business day of receiving the problem report.	Severity 4 Problem Within one (1) business day of receiving the problem report. Indication should be given of whether or not the resolution to the deficiency will be addressed with the next major product release.
Resolution of the Deficiency	Within one (1) business day from the time of first reporting or prior to the end of the contract term, whichever comes first.	Within five (5) business days from the time of first reporting or prior to the end of the contract term, whichever comes first.	Within thirty (30) business days from the time of first reporting or prior to the end of the contract term, whichever comes first.	If the resolution will not be made with the next major product release then an anticipated time of solution delivery must be identified by the PMOS solution provider within sixty (60) business days from the time of first reporting or prior to the end of the contract term, whichever comes first.
Pre-Authorization to Incur Billable Hours	No more than eight (8) hours total billable effort to resolve the deficiency. A detailed statement of the actual effort incurred must be	None	None	None

provided within two (2) business days from the time of first reporting. If the effort required to resolve the deficiency is more than eight (8) hours, there is no preauthorization to proceed. Not required if

Estimate of Total Billable Effort Required to Resolve the Deficiency

proceed.
Not required if
the total billable
effort to resolve
the deficiency is
no more than
eight (8) hours.
Else, within one
(1) business day
from the time of
first reporting.

Within two (2) business days from the time of first reporting.

Within five (5) business days from the time of first reporting.

Only as requested via an Additional Service Proposal Request Process (A.12)

- A.13. The State may, at its sole discretion and with written notice to the Contractor, request changes in the Scope that are necessary but were inadvertently unspecified in this Contract.
 - a. Change Order Creation After receipt of a written request for additional services from the State, the Contractor shall respond to the State, within a maximum of ten (10) business days, with a written proposal for completing the service. Contractor's proposal must specify:
 - (1) the effect, if any, of implementing the requested change(s) on all other services required under this Contract;
 - (2) the specific effort involved in completing the change(s);
 - (3) the expected schedule for completing the change(s);
 - (4) the maximum number of person hours required for the change(s); and
 - the maximum cost for the change(s)— this maximum cost shall in no instance exceed the product of the person hours required multiplied by the appropriate payment rate proposed for such work.

The Contractor shall not perform any additional service until the State has approved the proposal. If approved, the State will sign the proposal, and it shall constitute a Change Order between the Contract Parties pertaining to the specified change(s) and shall be incorporated, hereby, as a part of this Contract.

- b. Change Order Performance— Subsequent to creation of a Change Order, the Contractor shall complete the required services. The State will be the sole judge of the acceptable completion of work and, upon such determination, shall provide the Contractor written approval.
- c. Change Order Remuneration— The State will remunerate the Contractor only for acceptable work. All acceptable work performed pursuant to an approved Change Order, without a formal amendment of this Contract, shall be remunerated in accordance with and further limited by Contract Section C.3.c., PROVIDED THAT, the State shall be liable

to the Contractor only for the cost of the actual goods or services provided to complete the necessary work, not to exceed the maximum cost for the change detailed in the Change Order. In no instance shall the State be liable to the Contractor for any amount exceeding the maximum cost specified by the Change Order authorizing the goods or services. Upon State approval of the work, the Contractor shall invoice the State in accordance with the relevant provisions of this Contract.

A.14. Warranty. Contractor represents and warrants that the term of the warranty ("Warranty Period") shall be the greater of the Term of this Contract or any other warranty general offered by Contractor, its suppliers, or manufacturers to customers of its goods or services. The goods or services provided under this Contract shall conform to the terms and conditions of this Contract throughout the Warranty Period. Any nonconformance of the goods or services to the terms and conditions of this Contract shall constitute a "Defect" and shall be considered "Defective." If Contractor receives notice of a Defect during the Warranty Period, then Contractor shall correct the Defect, at no additional charge.

Contractor represents and warrants that the State is authorized to possess and use all equipment, materials, software, and deliverables provided under this Contract.

Contractor represents and warrants that all goods or services provided under this Contract shall be provided in a timely and professional manner, by qualified and skilled individuals, and in conformity with standards generally accepted in Contractor's industry.

If Contractor fails to provide the goods or services as warranted, then Contractor will re-provide the goods or services at no additional charge. If Contractor is unable or unwilling to re-provide the goods or services as warranted, then the State shall be entitled to recover the fees paid to Contractor for the Defective goods or services. Any exercise of the State's rights under this Section shall not prejudice the State's rights to seek any other remedies available under this Contract or applicable law.

A.15. <u>Inspection and Acceptance</u>. The State shall have the right to inspect all goods or services provided by Contractor under this Contract. If, upon inspection, the State determines that the goods or services are Defective, the State shall notify Contractor, and Contractor shall re-deliver the goods or provide the services at no additional cost to the State. If after a period of ninety (90) days following delivery of goods or performance of services the State does not provide a notice of any Defects, the goods or services shall be deemed to have been accepted by the State.

B. TERM OF CONTRACT:

This Contract shall be effective on DATE ("Effective Date") and extend for a period of thirty six (36) months after the Effective Date ("Term"). The State shall have no obligation for goods or services provided by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date.

B.1. Renewal Options. This Contract may be renewed upon satisfactory completion of the Term. The State reserves the right to execute up to two (2) renewal options under the same terms and conditions for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months each by the State, at the State's sole option. In no event, however, shall the maximum Term, including all renewals or extensions, exceed a total of sixty (60) months.

C. PAYMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

C.1. Maximum Liability. In no event shall the maximum liability of the State under this Contract exceed Written Dollar Amount (\$Number) ("Maximum Liability"). This Contract does not grant the Contractor any exclusive rights. The State does not guarantee that it will buy any minimum quantity of goods or services under this Contract. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Contract, the Contractor will only be paid for goods or services provided under this Contract after a purchase order is issued to Contractor by the State or as otherwise specified by this Contract.

- C.2. <u>Compensation Firm</u>. The payment methodology in Section C.3. of this Contract shall constitute the entire compensation due the Contractor for all goods or services provided under this Contract regardless of the difficulty, materials or equipment required. The payment methodology includes all applicable taxes, fees, overhead, and all other direct and indirect costs incurred or to be incurred by the Contractor.
- C.3. <u>Payment Methodology</u>. The Contractor shall be compensated based on the payment methodology for goods or services authorized by the State in a total amount as set forth in Section C.1.
 - a. The Contractor's compensation shall be contingent upon the satisfactory provision of goods or services as set forth in Section A.
 - b. The Contractor shall be compensated based upon the following payment methodology:

Goods or Services Description	Amount
ONE TIME DESIGN, CONFIGURATION, & TRAINING SERVICES ("IMPLEMENTATION")	
Phase 1 – Enterprise Design	\$ /TOTAL
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope	
Phase 1 – Enterprise Design	
Paid at Design Kickoff. Twenty Five Percent (25%) of total Phase 1	\$ / 25% of Phase 1 TOTAL
Phase 1 – Enterprise Design	
Paid at Completion of Design Phase as identified in the Design Criteria document. Seventy-Five (75%) percent of total Phase 1	\$ /75% of Phase 1 TOTAL
Phase 2 – Enterprise Configuration	\$ /TOTAL
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope	7.61.7.2
Phase 2 – Enterprise Configuration	
Paid at Design Kickoff. Twenty Five Percent (25%) of total Phase 2	\$ / 25% of Phase 2 TOTAL
Phase 2 – Enterprise Configuration	
Paid at Completion of Design Phase as identified in the Design Criteria document. Seventy-Five (75%) percent of total Phase 2	\$ /75% of Phase 2 TOTAL
Phase 3 – Enterprise Training	\$ /TOTAL
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Per Implementation & Development Services Scope	
Per Implementation & Development Services Scope Phase 3 – Enterprise Training	\$ / 25% of Phase 3 TOTAL

Kickoff	
Phase 3 – Enterprise Training Twenty-five (25%) percent paid at CPG Training	\$ / 25% of Phase 3 TOTAL
Phase 3 – Enterprise Training Twenty-five (25%) percent paid at Designer/CPG Training	\$ / 25% of Phase 3 TOTAL
Phase 3 – Enterprise Training Twenty-five (25%) percent paid at Contractor/CPG Training	\$ / 25% of Phase 3 TOTAL
ANNUAL SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION	
 Annual Items: Unlimited Licenses Unlimited Projects Unlimited Document Storage 24 x 7 Technical Support File Transfer Tool Custom Development Maintenance Quarterly Enhancement/Upgrades with Release Training Maintenance Releases The payment of the first (1st) year's Annual Software Subscription fee will be paid at the completion of the configuration in phase 2.	\$ /YEAR

c. The Contractor will be compensated on a recurrent, unlimited license per year basis for annual software subscriptions to the PMOS Software (refer to Section A.6., PMOS Software Licensing and Upgrades).

The Contractor will be compensated annually for each additional year that the State is subscribed to the annual software subscriptions to PMOS Software, so long as the subscription remains activated and available for use by the State.

d. The Contractor shall be compensated for changes requested and performed pursuant to Contract Section A.13, without a formal amendment of this Contract based upon the payment rates detailed in the schedule below and as agreed pursuant to Section C.3.d, PROVIDED THAT compensation to the Contractor for such "change order" work shall not exceed seven PERCENT (7%) of the sum of milestone payment rates detailed in Section C.3.b., above (which is the total cost for the milestones and associated deliverables set forth in Contract Sections A.3., through A.13.). If, at any point during the Term, the State determines that the cost of necessary "change order" work would exceed the maximum amount, the State may amend this Contract to address the need.

CUSTOM REPORT DEVELOPMENT	
(Requiring change order language in pro forma section c.3.d)	
Project Manager Rate	\$ /HOUR

Technician Rate	/HOUR
Technician Rate	

- C.4. <u>Travel Compensation</u>. The Contractor shall not be compensated or reimbursed for travel time, travel expenses, meals, or lodging.
- C.5. Invoice Requirements. The Contractor shall invoice the State only for goods delivered and accepted by the State or services satisfactorily provided at the amounts stipulated in Section C.3., above. Contractor shall submit invoices and necessary supporting documentation, no more frequently than once a month, and no later than thirty (30) days after goods or services have been provided to the following address:

Department of General Services Capital Projects Group 312 Rosa Parks Ave. 24th Floor Nashville, TN 37243

- a. Each invoice, on Contractor's letterhead, shall clearly and accurately detail all of the following information (calculations must be extended and totaled correctly):
 - (1) Invoice number (assigned by the Contractor);
 - (2) Invoice date;
 - (3) Contract number (assigned by the State);
 - (4) Customer account name: Department of General Services, Capital Projects Group;
 - (5) Customer account number (assigned by the Contractor to the above-referenced Customer);
 - (6) Contractor name;
 - (7) Contractor Tennessee Edison registration ID number;
 - (8) Contractor contact for invoice questions (name, phone, or email);
 - (9) Contractor remittance address;
 - (10) Description of delivered goods or services provided and invoiced, including identifying information as applicable;
 - (11) Number of delivered or completed units, increments, hours, or days as applicable, of each good or service invoiced;
 - (12) Applicable payment methodology (as stipulated in Section C.3.) of each good or service invoiced:
 - (13) Amount due for each compensable unit of good or service; and
 - (14) Total amount due for the invoice period.
- b. Contractor's invoices shall:
 - (1) Only include charges for goods delivered or services provided as described in Section A and in accordance with payment terms and conditions set forth in Section C:
 - (2) Only be submitted for goods delivered or services completed and shall not include any charge for future goods to be delivered or services to be performed;
 - (3) Not include Contractor's taxes, which includes without limitation Contractor's sales and use tax, excise taxes, franchise taxes, real or personal property taxes, or income taxes; and
 - (4) Include shipping or delivery charges only as authorized in this Contract.
- c. The timeframe for payment (or any discounts) begins only when the State is in receipt of an invoice that meets the minimum requirements of this Section C.5.
- C.6. <u>Payment of Invoice</u>. A payment by the State shall not prejudice the State's right to object to or question any payment, invoice, or other matter. A payment by the State shall not be construed as

acceptance of goods delivered, any part of the services provided, or as approval of any amount invoiced.

- C.7. <u>Invoice Reductions</u>. The Contractor's invoice shall be subject to reduction for amounts included in any invoice or payment that is determined by the State, on the basis of audits conducted in accordance with the terms of this Contract, to not constitute proper compensation for goods delivered or services provided.
- C.8. <u>Deductions</u>. The State reserves the right to deduct from amounts, which are or shall become due and payable to the Contractor under this or any contract between the Contractor and the State of Tennessee, any amounts that are or shall become due and payable to the State of Tennessee by the Contractor.
- C.9. <u>Prerequisite Documentation</u>. The Contractor shall not invoice the State under this Contract until the State has received the following, properly completed documentation.
 - a. The Contractor shall complete, sign, and present to the State the "Authorization Agreement for Automatic Deposit Form" provided by the State. By doing so, the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, once this form is received by the State, payments to the Contractor, under this or any other contract the Contractor has with the State of Tennessee, may be made by ACH; and
 - b. The Contractor shall complete, sign, and return to the State the State-provided W-9 form. The taxpayer identification number on the W-9 form must be the same as the Contractor's Federal Employer Identification Number or Social Security Number referenced in the Contractor's Edison registration information.

D. MANDATORY TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- D.1. Required Approvals. The State is not bound by this Contract until it is duly approved by the Parties and all appropriate State officials in accordance with applicable Tennessee laws and regulations. Depending upon the specifics of this Contract, this may include approvals by the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, the Commissioner of Human Resources, the Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Chief Procurement Officer. Approvals shall be evidenced by a signature or electronic approval.
- D.2. Communications and Contacts. All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications required or contemplated by this Contract shall be in writing and shall be made by certified, first class mail, return receipt requested and postage prepaid, by overnight courier service with an asset tracking system, or by email or facsimile transmission with recipient confirmation. All communications, regardless of method of transmission, shall be addressed to the respective Party at the appropriate mailing address, facsimile number, or email address as stated below or any other address provided in writing by a Party.

The State:

Natalie Hansen, Executive Director of Capital Projects Dept. Of General Services – Capital Projects Group 312 Rosa Parks Ave., 24th Floor, Nashville, TN 37243 natalie.hansen@tn.gov Telephone # (615) 741-1579

The Contractor:

Contractor Contact Name & Title Contractor Name Address Email Address Telephone # Number

FAX # Number

All instructions, notices, consents, demands, or other communications shall be considered effective upon receipt or recipient confirmation as may be required.

- D.3. <u>Modification and Amendment</u>. This Contract may be modified only by a written amendment signed by all Parties and approved by all applicable State officials.
- D.4. <u>Subject to Funds Availability</u>. The Contract is subject to the appropriation and availability of State or federal funds. In the event that the funds are not appropriated or are otherwise unavailable, the State reserves the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to the Contractor. The State's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract shall not constitute a breach of Contract by the State. Upon receipt of the written notice, the Contractor shall cease all work associated with the Contract. If the State terminates this Contract due to lack of funds availability, the Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for all conforming goods requested and accepted by the State and for all satisfactory and authorized services completed as of the termination date. Should the State exercise its right to terminate this Contract due to unavailability of funds, the Contractor shall have no right to recover from the State any actual, general, special, incidental, consequential, or any other damages of any description or amount.
- D.5. <u>Termination for Convenience</u>. The State may terminate this Contract for convenience without cause and for any reason. The State shall give the Contractor at least thirty (30) days written notice before the termination date. The Contractor shall be entitled to compensation for all conforming goods delivered and accepted by the State or for satisfactory, authorized services completed as of the termination date. In no event shall the State be liable to the Contractor for compensation for any goods neither requested nor accepted by the State or for any services neither requested by the State nor satisfactorily performed by the Contractor. In no event shall the State's exercise of its right to terminate this Contract for convenience relieve the Contractor of any liability to the State for any damages or claims arising under this Contract.
- D.6. Termination for Cause. If the Contractor fails to properly perform its obligations under this Contract in a timely or proper manner, or if the Contractor materially violates any terms of this Contract ("Breach Condition"), the State shall have the right to immediately terminate the Contract and withhold payments in excess of compensation for completed services or provided goods. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the State for damages sustained by virtue of any Breach Condition and the State may seek other remedies allowed at law or in equity for breach of this Contract.
- D.7. Assignment and Subcontracting. The Contractor shall not assign this Contract or enter into a subcontract for any of the goods or services provided under this Contract without the prior written approval of the State. Notwithstanding any use of the approved subcontractors, the Contractor shall be the prime contractor and responsible for compliance with all terms and conditions of this Contract. The State reserves the right to request additional information or impose additional terms and conditions before approving an assignment of this Contract in whole or in part or the use of subcontractors in fulfilling the Contractor's obligations under this Contract.
- D.8. <u>Conflicts of Interest</u>. The Contractor warrants that no part of the Contractor's compensation shall be paid directly or indirectly to an employee or official of the State of Tennessee as wages, compensation, or gifts in exchange for acting as an officer, agent, employee, subcontractor, or consultant to the Contractor in connection with any work contemplated or performed under this Contract.
 - The Contractor acknowledges, understands, and agrees that this Contract shall be null and void if the Contractor is, or within the past six (6) months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee or if the Contractor is an entity in which a controlling interest is held by an individual who is, or within the past six (6) months has been, an employee of the State of Tennessee.
- D.9. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. The Contractor hereby agrees, warrants, and assures that no person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination

in the performance of this Contract or in the employment practices of the Contractor on the grounds of handicap or disability, age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, or any other classification protected by federal or state law. The Contractor shall, upon request, show proof of nondiscrimination and shall post in conspicuous places, available to all employees and applicants, notices of nondiscrimination.

- D.10. <u>Prohibition of Illegal Immigrants</u>. The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-309 addressing the use of illegal immigrants in the performance of any contract to supply goods or services to the state of Tennessee, shall be a material provision of this Contract, a breach of which shall be grounds for monetary and other penalties, up to and including termination of this Contract.
 - a. The Contractor agrees that the Contractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall reaffirm this attestation, in writing, by submitting to the State a completed and signed copy of the document at Attachment 1, semi-annually during the Term. If the Contractor is a party to more than one contract with the State, the Contractor may submit one attestation that applies to all contracts with the State. All Contractor attestations shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to State officials upon request.
 - b. Prior to the use of any subcontractor in the performance of this Contract, and semiannually thereafter, during the Term, the Contractor shall obtain and retain a current, written attestation that the subcontractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant to perform work under this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant to perform work under this Contract. Attestations obtained from subcontractors shall be maintained by the Contractor and made available to State officials upon request.
 - c. The Contractor shall maintain records for all personnel used in the performance of this Contract. Contractor's records shall be subject to review and random inspection at any reasonable time upon reasonable notice by the State.
 - d. The Contractor understands and agrees that failure to comply with this section will be subject to the sanctions of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-309 for acts or omissions occurring after its effective date.
 - e. For purposes of this Contract, "illegal immigrant" shall be defined as any person who is not: (i) a United States citizen; (ii) a Lawful Permanent Resident; (iii) a person whose physical presence in the United States is authorized; (iv) allowed by the federal Department of Homeland Security and who, under federal immigration laws or regulations, is authorized to be employed in the U.S.; or (v) is otherwise authorized to provide services under the Contract.
- D.11. <u>Records</u>. The Contractor shall maintain documentation for all charges under this Contract. The books, records, and documents of the Contractor, for work performed or money received under this Contract, shall be maintained for a period of five (5) full years from the date of the final payment and shall be subject to audit at any reasonable time and upon reasonable notice by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives. The financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.
- D.12. Monitoring. The Contractor's activities conducted and records maintained pursuant to this Contract shall be subject to monitoring and evaluation by the State, the Comptroller of the Treasury, or their duly appointed representatives.
- D.13. <u>Progress Reports</u>. The Contractor shall submit brief, periodic, progress reports to the State as requested.

- D.14. <u>Strict Performance</u>. Failure by any Party to this Contract to require, in any one or more cases, the strict performance of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, or provisions of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of any term, covenant, condition, or provision. No term or condition of this Contract shall be held to be waived, modified, or deleted except by a written amendment signed by the Parties.
- D.15. Independent Contractor. The Parties shall not act as employees, partners, joint venturers, or associates of one another. The Parties are independent contracting entities. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to create an employer/employee relationship or to allow either Party to exercise control or direction over the manner or method by which the other transacts its business affairs or provides its usual services. The employees or agents of one Party are not employees or agents of the other Party.
- D.16 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The Contractor agrees that it will be responsible for compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA") with respect to itself and its employees, including any obligation to report health insurance coverage, provide health insurance coverage, or pay any financial assessment, tax, or penalty for not providing health insurance. The Contractor shall indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any costs to the State arising from Contractor's failure to fulfill its PPACA responsibilities for itself or its employees.
- D.17. <u>Limitation of State's Liability</u>. The State shall have no liability except as specifically provided in this Contract. In no event will the State be liable to the Contractor or any other party for any lost revenues, lost profits, loss of business, decrease in the value of any securities or cash position, time, money, goodwill, or any indirect, special, incidental, punitive, exemplary or consequential damages of any nature, whether based on warranty, contract, statute, regulation, tort (including but not limited to negligence), or any other legal theory that may arise under this Contract or otherwise. The State's total liability under this Contract (including any exhibits, schedules, amendments or other attachments to the Contract) or otherwise shall under no circumstances exceed the Maximum Liability. This limitation of liability is cumulative and not per incident.
- D.18. Limitation of Contractor's Liability. In accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-3-701, the Contractor's liability for all claims arising under this Contract shall be limited to an amount equal to two (2) times the Maximum Liability amount detailed in Section C.1. and as may be amended, PROVIDED THAT in no event shall this Section limit the liability of the Contractor for: (i) intellectual property or any Contractor indemnity obligations for infringement for third-party intellectual property rights; (ii) any claims covered by any specific provision in the Contract providing for liquidated damages; or (iii) any claims for intentional torts, criminal acts, fraudulent conduct, or acts or omissions that result in personal injuries or death.
- D.19. Hold Harmless. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Tennessee as well as its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, and causes of action which may arise, accrue, or result to any person, firm, corporation, or other entity which may be injured or damaged as a result of acts, omissions, or negligence on the part of the Contractor, its employees, or any person acting for or on its or their behalf relating to this Contract. The Contractor further agrees it shall be liable for the reasonable cost of attorneys for the State to enforce the terms of this Contract.
 - In the event of any suit or claim, the Parties shall give each other immediate notice and provide all necessary assistance to respond. The failure of the State to give notice shall only relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent that the Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the failure to give notice. This Section shall not grant the Contractor, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State in any legal matter, as the right to represent the State is governed by Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-6-106.
- D.20. <u>HIPAA Compliance</u>. The State and Contractor shall comply with obligations under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health ("HITECH") Act and any other relevant laws and regulations

regarding privacy (collectively the "Privacy Rules"). The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

- a. Contractor warrants to the State that it is familiar with the requirements of the Privacy Rules, and will comply with all applicable requirements in the course of this Contract.
- b. Contractor warrants that it will cooperate with the State, including cooperation and coordination with State privacy officials and other compliance officers required by the Privacy Rules, in the course of performance of the Contract so that both parties will be in compliance with the Privacy Rules.
- c. The State and the Contractor will sign documents, including but not limited to business associate agreements, as required by the Privacy Rules and that are reasonably necessary to keep the State and Contractor in compliance with the Privacy Rules. This provision shall not apply if information received or delivered by the parties under this Contract is NOT "protected health information" as defined by the Privacy Rules, or if the Privacy Rules permit the parties to receive or deliver the information without entering into a business associate agreement or signing another document.
- d. The Contractor will indemnify the State and hold it harmless for any violation by the Contractor or its subcontractors of the Privacy Rules. This includes the costs of responding to a breach of protected health information, the costs of responding to a government enforcement action related to the breach, and any fines, penalties, or damages paid by the State because of the violation.
- D.21. Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System. Subject to statutory exceptions contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-36-801, et seq., the law governing the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System ("TCRS"), provides that if a retired member of TCRS, or of any superseded system administered by TCRS, or of any local retirement fund established under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 8-35-101, et seq., accepts State employment, the member's retirement allowance is suspended during the period of the employment. Accordingly and notwithstanding any provision of this Contract to the contrary, the Contractor agrees that if it is later determined that the true nature of the working relationship between the Contractor and the State under this Contract is that of "employee/employer" and not that of an independent contractor, the Contractor, if a retired member of TCRS, may be required to repay to TCRS the amount of retirement benefits the Contractor received from TCRS during the Term.
- D.22. <u>Tennessee Department of Revenue Registration.</u> The Contractor shall comply with all applicable registration requirements contained in Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 67-6-601 608. Compliance with applicable registration requirements is a material requirement of this Contract.
- D.23. <u>Debarment and Suspension</u>. The Contractor certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, its current and future principals, its current and future subcontractors and their principals:
 - a. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any federal or state department or agency;
 - b. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract been convicted of, or had a civil judgment rendered against them from commission of fraud, or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or grant under a public transaction; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
 - are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (federal, state, or local) with commission of any of the offenses detailed in section b. of this certification; and

d. have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

The Contractor shall provide immediate written notice to the State if at any time it learns that there was an earlier failure to disclose information or that due to changed circumstances, its principals or the principals of its subcontractors are excluded, disqualified, or presently fall under any of the prohibitions of sections a-d.

- D.24. Force Majeure. "Force Majeure Event" means fire, flood, earthquake, elements of nature or acts of God, wars, riots, civil disorders, rebellions or revolutions, acts of terrorism or any other similar cause beyond the reasonable control of the Party except to the extent that the non-performing Party is at fault in failing to prevent or causing the default or delay, and provided that the default or delay cannot reasonably be circumvented by the non-performing Party through the use of alternate sources, workaround plans or other means. A strike, lockout or labor dispute shall not excuse either Party from its obligations under this Contract. Except as set forth in this Section, any failure or delay by a Party in the performance of its obligations under this Contract arising from a Force Majeure Event is not a default under this Contract or grounds for termination. The non-performing Party will be excused from performing those obligations directly affected by the Force Majeure Event, and only for as long as the Force Majeure Event continues, provided that the Party continues to use diligent, good faith efforts to resume performance without delay. The occurrence of a Force Majeure Event affecting Contractor's representatives, suppliers, subcontractors, customers or business apart from this Contract is not a Force Majeure Event under this Contract. Contractor will promptly notify the State of any delay caused by a Force Majeure Event (to be confirmed in a written notice to the State within one (1) day of the inception of the delay) that a Force Majeure Event has occurred, and will describe in reasonable detail the nature of the Force Majeure Event. If any Force Majeure Event results in a delay in Contractor's performance longer than forty-eight (48) hours, the State may, upon notice to Contractor: (a) cease payment of the fees until Contractor resumes performance of the affected obligations; or (b) immediately terminate this Contract or any purchase order, in whole or in part, without further payment except for fees then due and payable. Contractor will not increase its charges under this Contract or charge the State any fees other than those provided for in this Contract as the result of a Force Majeure Event.
- D.25. <u>State and Federal Compliance</u>. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations in the performance of this Contract.
- D.26. Governing Law. This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee. The Tennessee Claims Commission or the state or federal courts in Tennessee shall be the venue for all claims, disputes, or disagreements arising under this Contract. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that any rights, claims, or remedies against the State of Tennessee or its employees arising under this Contract shall be subject to and limited to those rights and remedies available under Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 9-8-101 407.
- D.27. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Contract is complete and contains the entire understanding between the Parties relating to its subject matter, including all the terms and conditions of the Parties' agreement. This Contract supersedes any and all prior understandings, representations, negotiations, and agreements between the Parties, whether written or oral.
- D.28. <u>Severability</u>. If any terms and conditions of this Contract are held to be invalid or unenforceable as a matter of law, the other terms and conditions of this Contract shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect. The terms and conditions of this Contract are severable.
- D.29. <u>Headings</u>. Section headings of this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not be construed as part of this Contract.
- D.30. <u>Incorporation of Additional Documents</u>. Each of the following documents is included as a part of this Contract by reference. In the event of a discrepancy or ambiguity regarding the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, and performance under this Contract, these items shall govern in order of precedence below:

- a. any amendment to this Contract, with the latter in time controlling over any earlier amendments:
- b. this Contract with any attachments or exhibits (excluding the items listed at subsections c. through f., below), which includes attachment 1, attachment 2, and attachment 3.;
- c. any clarifications of or addenda to the Contractor's proposal seeking this Contract;
- d. the State solicitation, as may be amended, requesting responses in competition for this Contract:
- any technical specifications provided to proposers during the procurement process to award this Contract; and
- f. the Contractor's response seeking this Contract.
- D.31. <u>Iran Divestment Act.</u> The requirements of Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-101 et.seq., addressing contracting with persons with investment activities in Iran, shall be a material provision of this Contract. The Contractor agrees, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that it is not on the list created pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-12-106.
- D.32. <u>Insurance</u>. Contractor shall provide the State a certificate of insurance ("COI") evidencing the coverages and amounts specified below. The COI shall be provided ten (10) business days prior to the Effective Date and again upon renewal or replacement of coverages required by this Contract. If insurance expires during the Term, the State must receive a new COI at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the insurance's expiration date. If the Contractor loses insurance coverage, does not renew coverage, or for any reason becomes uninsured during the Term, the Contractor shall notify the State immediately.

The COI shall be on a form approved by the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance ("TDCI") and signed by an authorized representative of the insurer. The COI shall list each insurer's national association of insurance commissioners (also known as NAIC) number and list the State of Tennessee, Risk Manager, 312 Rosa L. Parks Ave., 3rd floor Central Procurement Office, Nashville, TN 37243 in the certificate holder section. At any time, the State may require the Contractor to provide a valid COI detailing coverage description; insurance company; policy number; exceptions; exclusions; policy effective date; policy expiration date; limits of liability; and the name and address of insured. The Contractor's failure to maintain or submit evidence of insurance coverage is considered a material breach of this Contract.

If the Contractor desires to self-insure, then a COI will not be required to prove coverage. In place of the COI, the Contractor must provide a certificate of self-insurance or a letter on the Contractor's letterhead detailing its coverage, liability policy amounts, and proof of funds to reasonably cover such expenses. Compliance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 50-6-405 and the rules of the TDCI is required for the Contractor to self-insure workers' compensation. All insurance companies must be: (a) acceptable to the State; (b) authorized by the TDCI to transact business in the State of Tennessee; and (c) rated A- VII or better by A. M. Best. The Contractor shall provide the State evidence that all subcontractors maintain the required insurance or that the subcontractors are included under the Contractor's policy.

The Contractor agrees to name the State as an additional insured on any insurance policies with the exception of workers' compensation (employer liability) and professional liability (errors and omissions) ("Professional Liability") insurance. Also, all policies shall contain an endorsement for a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State.

The deductible and any premiums are the Contractor's sole responsibility. Any deductible over fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) must be approved by the State. The Contractor agrees that the insurance requirements specified in this Section do not reduce any liability the Contractor has assumed under this Contract including any indemnification or hold harmless requirements. The State agrees that it shall give written notice to the Contractor as soon as practicable after the State becomes aware of any claim asserted or made against the State, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days after the State becomes aware of such claim. The failure of the State to give notice shall only relieve the Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent that the Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the failure to give notice. This

Section shall not grant the Contractor or its insurer, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State in any legal matter, as the right to represent the State is governed by Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-6-106.

All coverage required shall be on a primary basis and noncontributory with any other insurance coverage or self-insurance carried by the State. The State reserves the right to amend or require additional endorsements, types of coverage, and higher or lower limits of coverage depending on the nature of the work. Purchases or contracts involving any hazardous activity or equipment, tenant, concessionaire and lease agreements, alcohol sales, cyber-liability risks, environmental risks, special motorized equipment, or property may require customized insurance requirements (e.g. umbrella liability insurance) in addition to the general requirements listed below.

To achieve the required coverage levels, a combination of a specific policy written with an umbrella policy covering liabilities above stated limits is acceptable (For example: If appropriate limits are two million dollars (\$2,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate, acceptable coverage would include a specific policy covering one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate written with an umbrella policy for one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) aggregate. If the deficient underlying policy is for coverage area without aggregate limits (generally Automobile Liability and Employers' Liability Accident), Contractor shall provide a copy of the umbrella insurance policy documents to ensure that no aggregate limit applies to the umbrella policy for that coverage area as well.

a. Commercial General Liability Insurance

- 1) The Contractor shall maintain commercial general liability insurance, which shall be written on an Insurance Services Office, Inc. (also known as ISO) occurrence form (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage) and shall cover liability arising from property damage, premises/operations, independent contractors, contractual liability, completed operations/products, personal and advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract).
- 2) The Contractor shall maintain bodily injury/property damage with a combined single limit not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate for bodily injury and property damage, including products and completed operations coverage with an aggregate limit of at least two million dollars (\$2,000,000).

E. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- E.1. <u>Conflicting Terms and Conditions</u>. Should any of these special terms and conditions conflict with any other terms and conditions of this Contract, the special terms and conditions shall be subordinate to the Contract's other terms and conditions.
- E.2. <u>Confidentiality of Records</u>. Strict standards of confidentiality of records and information shall be maintained in accordance with applicable state and federal law. All material and information, regardless of form, medium or method of communication, provided to the Contractor by the State or acquired by the Contractor on behalf of the State that is regarded as confidential under state or federal law shall be regarded as "Confidential Information." Nothing in this Section shall permit Contractor to disclose any Confidential Information, regardless of whether it has been disclosed or made available to the Contractor due to intentional or negligent actions or inactions of agents of the State or third parties. Confidential Information shall not be disclosed except as required or permitted under state or federal law. Contractor shall take all necessary steps to safeguard the confidentiality of such material or information in conformance with applicable state and federal law.

The obligations set forth in this Section shall survive the termination of this Contract.

- E.3. <u>Software License Warranty</u>. Contractor grants a license to the State to use all software provided under this Contract in the course of the State's business and purposes.
- E.4. <u>Software Support and Maintenance Warranty</u>. Contractor shall provide to the State all software upgrades, modifications, bug fixes, or other improvements in its software that it makes generally available to its customers.
- E.5. Personally Identifiable Information. While performing its obligations under this Contract, Contractor may have access to Personally Identifiable Information held by the State ("PII"). For the purposes of this Contract, "PII" includes "Nonpublic Personal Information" as that term is defined in Title V of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999 or any successor federal statute, and the rules and regulations thereunder, all as may be amended or supplemented from time to time ("GLBA") and personally identifiable information and other data protected under any other applicable laws, rule or regulation of any jurisdiction relating to disclosure or use of personal information ("Privacy Laws"). Contractor agrees it shall not do or omit to do anything which would cause the State to be in breach of any Privacy Laws. Contractor shall, and shall cause its employees, agents and representatives to: (i) keep PII confidential and may use and disclose PII only as necessary to carry out those specific aspects of the purpose for which the PII was disclosed to Contractor and in accordance with this Contract, GLBA and Privacy Laws; and (ii) implement and maintain appropriate technical and organizational measures regarding information security to: (A) ensure the security and confidentiality of PII; (B) protect against any threats or hazards to the security or integrity of PII; and (C) prevent unauthorized access to or use of PII. Contractor shall immediately notify State: (1) of any disclosure or use of any PII by Contractor or any of its employees, agents and representatives in breach of this Contract; and (2) of any disclosure of any PII to Contractor or its employees, agents and representatives where the purpose of such disclosure is not known to Contractor or its employees, agents and representatives. The State reserves the right to review Contractor's policies and procedures used to maintain the security and confidentiality of PII and Contractor shall, and cause its employees, agents and representatives to, comply with all reasonable requests or directions from the State to enable the State to verify and/or procure that Contractor is in full compliance with its obligations under this Contract in relation to PII. Upon termination or expiration of the Contract or at the State's direction at any time in its sole discretion, whichever is earlier, Contractor shall immediately return to the State any and all PII which it has received under this Contract and shall destroy all records of such PII.

The Contractor shall report to the State any instances of unauthorized access to or potential disclosure of PII in the custody or control of Contractor ("Unauthorized Disclosure") that come to the Contractor's attention. Any such report shall be made by the Contractor within twenty-four (24) hours after the Unauthorized Disclosure has come to the attention of the Contractor. Contractor shall take all necessary measures to halt any further Unauthorized Disclosures. The Contractor, at the sole discretion of the State, shall provide no cost credit monitoring services for individuals whose PII was affected by the Unauthorized Disclosure. The Contractor shall bear the cost of notification to all individuals affected by the Unauthorized Disclosure, including individual letters and public notice. The remedies set forth in this Section are not exclusive and are in addition to any claims or remedies available to this State under this Contract or otherwise available at law.

E.6. Intellectual Property. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State of Tennessee as well as its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims or suits which may be brought against the State concerning or arising out of any claim of an alleged patent, copyright, trade secret or other intellectual property infringement. In any such claim or action brought against the State, the Contractor shall satisfy and indemnify the State for the amount of any settlement or final judgment, and the Contractor shall be responsible for all legal or other fees or expenses incurred by the State arising from any such claim. The State shall give the Contractor notice of any such claim or suit, however, the failure of the State to give such notice shall only relieve Contractor of its obligations under this Section to the extent Contractor can demonstrate actual prejudice arising from the State's failure to give notice. This Section shall not

grant the Contractor, through its attorneys, the right to represent the State of Tennessee in any legal matter, as provided in Tenn. Code Ann. \S 8-6-106.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF,			
CONTRACTOR LEGAL ENTITY NAME:			
CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE	DATE		
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTOR SIGNATORY (above)			
DEDARTMENT OF CENEDAL CERVICES.			
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES:			
BOB OGLESBY, COMMISSIONER	DATE		

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EDISON VENDOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:		
The Contractor, identified above, does hereby attest, certify, warrant, and assure that the Contractor shall not knowingly utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract and shall not knowingly utilize the services of any subcontractor who will utilize the services of an illegal immigrant in the performance of this Contract.		
CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE		
NOTICE: This attestation MUST be signed by an individual empowered to contractually bind the Contractor. Attach evidence documenting the individual's authority to contractually bind the Contractor, unless the signatory is the Contractor's chief executive or president.		
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY		

DATE OF ATTESTATION

Pro Forma ATTACHMENT 2

Placeholder for the awarded Contractor's **Functionality Matrix**.

Pro Forma ATTACHMENT 3

STATE OF TENNESSEE ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS

In order to receive the confidential documents described in the Solicitation, the State must receive a Notice of Intent to Propose (filed separately) and a signature on the attached Confidentiality Agreement by an officer of the prospective respondent who is authorized to bind the company.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

______, a Prospective Respondent on a procurement with the State of Tennessee (hereinafter "Prospective Respondent"), will be provided with copies of the following documents for the purposes of preparing a response to this procurement.

- 1. Edison Business Partner Interfaces Technical Quick Start Guide
- 2. Enterprise Technology Architecture Standard Products

In consideration for access to these documents, Prospective Respondent agrees as follows:

- 1. These documents are confidential and proprietary and are not public records of the State of Tennessee.
- 2. These documents, or copies thereof, will only be disclosed to authorized employees and contractors of Prospective Respondent who need access to them for the purpose of preparing a response to the procurement. All individuals entrusted with these documents, or the information contained therein, will be notified of the confidentiality restrictions.
- 3. Prospective Respondent will maintain reasonable security procedures to protect paper and electronic copies of these documents.
- 4. If Prospective Respondent chooses not to offer a response or if the response does not result in a contract with the State, the Prospective Respondent will destroy all copies of the documents within a reasonable time. If requested by the State, Prospective Respondent will certify in writing that the confidential documents were destroyed.
- 5. If Prospective Respondent enters into a contract with the State based on this procurement, this confidentiality agreement will expire upon signature of the contract, and the confidentiality provisions of the contract will control.
- 6. Prospective Respondent agrees that unauthorized release of the documents would cause such harm to the State that injunctive relief would be an appropriate remedy. If any court rules that Prospective Respondent has breached this confidentiality agreement, Prospective Respondent shall reimburse the State for its cost of litigation, including attorney's fees, as well as any damages awarded by the court.
- 7. This confidentiality agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Tennessee.

(signature)
(name of company)
Signature of this document constitutes certification that the person signing the document has the authority to bind the company.
for the State of Tennessee

AMENDMENT 1 FIGURE C: Response to Questions and Comments of RFP 32101-16107 CANCELLED ON 5/4/2017



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES - CAPITAL PROJECTS GROUP

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS # 32101-16107 AMENDMENT ONE FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT OPERATING SYSTEM (PMOS)

DATE: 3/9/2017

RFP # 32101-16107 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

5. This RFP Schedule of Events updates and confirms scheduled RFP dates. Any event, time, or date containing revised or new text is highlighted.

RFP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EVENT	TIME (central time zone)	DATE
31. RFP Issued		2/14/2017
32. Disability Accommodation Request Deadline	2:00 p.m.	2/17/2017
33. Pre-response Conference	1:00 p.m.	2/22/2017
34. Notice of Intent to Respond Deadline	2:00 p.m.	2/23/2017
35. Written "Questions & Comments" Deadline	2:00 p.m.	2/28/2017
36. State Response to Written "Questions & Comments"		3/9/2017
37. Response Deadline	2:00 p.m.	3/16/2017
38. State Completion of Technical Response Evaluations		3/22/2017
39. State Schedules Respondent Oral Presentation		3/27/2017
40. Respondent Oral Presentations	TBD	4/5/2017
41. State Opening & Scoring of Cost Proposals	2:00 p.m.	4/6/2017
42. State Notice of Intent to Award Released and RFP Files Opened for Public Inspection	2:00 p.m.	4/13/2017
43. End of Open File Period		4/20/2017
44. State sends contract to Contractor for signature		4/21/2017

45. Contractor Signature Deadline	2:00 p.m.	5/1/2017
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6. State responses to questions and comments in the table below amend and clarify this RFP.

Any restatement of RFP text in the Question/Comment column shall $\underline{\mathsf{NOT}}$ be construed as a change in the actual wording of the RFP document.

	QUESTION / COMMENT	STATE RESPONSE
25	Regarding RFP item 4.8. Disclosure of Response Contents: Since the State has provided confidential materials with the RFP, it is likely a Respondent's proposal, which is based on the State's confidential materials, to contain confidential information. a. Are Respondents permitted to mark proposal material as confidential information? b. Will the State notify Respondents in the event of a public records request prior to release of a Respondents proposal and allow Respondents to redact confidential information?	No. All procurement documents are open to public records requests as submitted.
26	Regarding section A. SCOPE in the CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES AND CONTRACTOR: Item A.3.d. states "Processing environment must be SOC2 Type 2, FedRAMP or ISO 27000 compliant." a. Does the State have a preference or priority for the environment compliance? b. If a Respondent offers all of these compliances but FedRAMP is an option at a higher cost, should FedRAMP be proposed?	The State does not have a preference between the three environments. It is the Respondent's business decision on which environment to offer if more than one is available to include in a response.
27	In regards to RFP Section 3.3. Response & Respondent Prohibitions, Item 3.3.1. "A response must not include alternate contract terms and conditions. If a response contains such terms and conditions, the State, at its sole discretion, may determine the response to be a non-responsive counteroffer and reject it." a. Is a Respondent permitted to list exceptions to the terms and conditions provided with the RFP; or, would exceptions	No. RFP Respondents are not to redline the pro forma with their response. Yes. The State will entertain limited redline negations to the pro forma with the awarded Respondent (please refer to RFP section 5.3.5)

	QUESTION / COMMENT	STATE RESPONSE
	be considered alternate contract terms and conditions? b. If exceptions are not permitted, will the State allow for negotiations of contract terms and conditions upon award?	
28	In regards to the RFP ATTACHMENT 6.1., Statement of Certifications and Assurances: If the Respondent has exceptions or expects the State to negotiate contract terms and conditions upon award, is a Respondent permitted to note exceptions in general or the expectation to negotiate on the Statement of Certifications and Assurances?	Respondents are not to redline RFP attachment 6.1. Please refer to question 3.
29	Will the State consider a one week extension to the Response Deadline?	The State will not be extending the Response Deadline.
30	Section 1.2.Statement of Procurement Purpose: "Be developed, implemented, hosted and supported by the same single vendor" - are you saying only the software manufacturer would be considered the single vendor and must provide the professional services to deploy, implement and train users?	
	This requirement is restrictive considering many vendors have certified partner community that can provide the services outlined. Does the state intend to have 1 single vendor be able to reseller the licenses as well as provide the implementation and training professional services?	The State will not change this language. The solution must be developed, implemented, hosted and supported by the same single vendor.
	It is our recommendation that this language be removed or broadened so that a solution can be presented in the most cost effective fashion.	
31	Based on the pre-proposal conference discussion about total number of users. Please consider revising the language for pricing licenses. A specific number of licenses needs to be given based on specific pricing models. If TN DGS wants an unlimited user	The State requests an unlimited license arrangement

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	license model, we recommend a definite number of license be provided evaluated equally: For example 500 users to include all TN DGS Personnel and Contractor Community.	
32	Can a 2 week extension from the due date of March 16th be granted since it is not anticipated that Q&A will be provided by 3/9/17 according to the timeline?	Please reference question 5.

7. <u>RFP Amendment Effective Date</u>. The revisions set forth herein shall be effective upon release. All other terms and conditions of this RFP not expressly amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.